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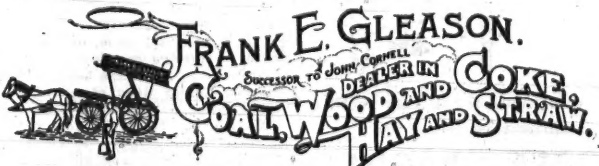
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ITEMS OF INTEREST ABOUT TOWN

Miss Florence Foster of Haverhill
visited in town Friday evening.

Poland & Whitten are shingling the
Downs' residence on Main street.

Arthur Morse is employed at the
store of his brother, Walter I. Morse.

Timothy O'Sullivan, of Washington
avenue, is confined to his home by ill-
ness.

At the South church evening worship
next Sunday the Whittier Centenary
will be observed.

The engagement is announced of Miss
Mary C. Findley of this town and Ernest
C. Edwards of Wakefield.

A number of Andover people will at-
tend the minstrel show in Stevens hall
in North Andover tonight.

James H. Abbott and Barnham White
leave Monday for Charles L. White's
fruit ranch in Pasadena, California.

James Gillen moved his family yester-
day from Florence street to his newly
purchased home on Washington avenue.

The next session of the Essex County
Ponies Grange will be held with the
West Newbury Grange the first Thurs-
day in January.

The Y. M. C. C. will hold a dance in
Bradlee hall, Ballardvale, on Saturday
evening, Dec. 21st. Music will be fur-
nished by the Columbia orchestra.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank M. Foster of Sum-
mer street were delegates from the
local grange to the session of the State
Grange which is being held this week in
Pittsfield.

Missie, Ethel and Eva Howell took
part in the play and entertainment
given by the Methodist Ladies' Aid So-
ciety in Bradlee hall, Ballardvale, on
Wednesday evening.

Henry C. Mitchell, of Manchester-by-
the-Sea, has sold his 14-acre farm on the
Jenkins road, in this town, to H. M.
Baker of Medford, who will improve
and occupy the property.

Miss Wolfe will hold a sale of exqui-
site hand painted photographs by the
distinguished artist, C. A. Plumer of
Boston, on Dec. 17 and 18, from 10 to 4
o'clock, 84 Main street, Andover.

The many parties to be held under
the auspices of the Ladies' Scottish So-
cial club, Tuesday evening, Dec. 21st,
will be held in Pilgrim hall instead of
Abbott Village hall as stated last week.
Tanta's orchestra of Haverhill will fur-
nish music. General admission, 20
cents.

The regular meeting of the Andover
Moshers' club was held Friday after-
noon, Dec. 6th. Supt. Corwin F. Pal-
mer was the speaker for the meeting,
and talked about his trip abroad. Music
was furnished by Miss Annabel Stedman
and Miss Laura Pettie of Ballardvale.
The serving committee were Mrs.
Thompson, Mrs. Erving, Mrs. Lindsay,
Mrs. Shattuck, and Mrs. Feeney.

J. P. West thanks the people of An-
dover who have given him their patron-
age in the past and hopes that when his
bakery is newly fitted up, they will still
trade with him. He also wishes to
thank the Fire department for their
prompt service.

Mrs. Edward North Reed (Clara G.
Flint) left on Monday the 2nd for her
home in LeCrosse, Wisconsin, after an
extended visit East. Dr. Reed, in ad-
dition to a growing practice, finds time
to prepare medical lectures, having in-
herited the gift of imparting instruction
from his grandfather, the late Professor
North.

There may be consulted at the Memo-
rial Hall Library a list of books suitable
for Christmas gifts to children of all
ages, but especially for those under ten,
for whom it is difficult to choose books
which have more than temporary value.
Publisher and price are given in each
case, and books suited to all purposes
are included in the list. Some of the books
are already on the library shelves, and
may be examined. The librarian will
be glad to give additional suggestions.

The following notice will be of inter-
est to Christmas shoppers of Andover:
The leading dry goods dealers of
Lawrence believe in making hard work
as easy as possible and with that in
view have arranged a time table for
their clerks for the eight days before
Christmas that they feel the public will
give its support to. It will mean opening
the stores a little later in the morning,
but the proprietors feel that the extra
morning rest gained by the clerks will
be shown in better attention to their
trade.

Beginning Monday, Dec. 16th, the un-
derassigned dry goods stores agree to open
and close for the eight working days be-
fore Christmas as follows:

Monday, Dec. 16th, open 9.30 a. m.;
close 6 p. m.

Tuesday, Dec. 17, open 9.30 a. m.;
close 9.45 p. m.

Wednesday, Dec. 18, open 9.30 a. m.;
close 9.15 p. m.

Thursday, Dec. 19, open 9.30 a. m.;
close 9.30 p. m.

Friday, Dec. 20, open 9.30 a. m.; close
10.15 p. m.

Saturday, Dec. 21, opens 9.30 a. m.;
close 10.45 p. m.

Sunday, Dec. 22, open 9.00 a. m.;
close 11.00 p. m.

Tuesday, Dec. 24, open 9.00 a. m.;
close 11.00 p. m.

With ample time allowed for meals, it
will bring the working hours within the
legal limit of 58 hours per week. The
following dealers have signed the agree-
ment: Reid & Hughes Co., Robertson,
Sutherland & Co., Cross Dry Goods Co.,
Byron Truell Co.

MEMORIAL HALL
ANDOVER
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See Playdon's ad. in another column.
People are still wondering "What's
the matter with the fire alarm?"

Remember the auction sale tomorrow
afternoon at 2.30 at 40 Maple avenue.

Mr. Downs has at last succeeded in
securing Miss Maud Powell, the distin-
guished violinist, date announced later.

The firemen made record time at the
fire on Wednesday, having a hose laid
and a stream on the blaze in 44
seconds.

See the notice in regard to the annual
meeting of the members of the Merri-
mack Mutual Fire Insurance Co., in
another column.

At the Free church next Sunday
evening the Whittier centenary will
be observed by the singing of hymns
written by Whittier and an address by
the pastor.

Pleasantly Surprised.

Last Saturday night a very pleasant
surprise took place at High street, when
a party of ladies and gentlemen took
possession of the home of Mrs. William
Gorrie, and presented Miss Whitehead
with a chain and locket and Mr. Carver
with a fob. The presentation was made
by Charles Mayer and was suitably ac-
knowledgeed by the recipients.

The company was entertained by
Mrs. Gorrie and fun was kept up until
midnight.

Miss Whitehead and Mr. Carver left
for Dundee, on the Ivernia, Tuesday,
where they will spend a short vacation.

The guests present were Mr. and Mrs.
C. Mayer, Mr. and Mrs. R. Low, Mr. and
Mrs. Wm. Matthew, Mr. and Mrs.
Gorrie, Mr. and Mrs. McLeish, Mrs.
Mackenzie, Daisy Nairn, Lily Nairn,
Eliza Jane Nairn, Charlotte Sims, Liz-
zie Sims, Robina Gordon, Annie Boyd,
Jessie Carver, Lizzie Stewart, Lizzie
Mollison, Bella Gorrie, P. Scotland, Wm.
Gordon, A. Gordon, T. Gorrie, D. Law-
rie, M. Williams, Jas. Harris, W. A.
Stevens, Jas. Gorrie, H. Rennie.

I. O. O. F. Roll Call

Andover Lodge, No. 280, held its an-
nual roll call and supper Wednesday
evening in Odd Fellows' hall. The
second degree was conferred, by the
second degree staff of the lodge, on one
candidate, Grand Master Hastings of
the Grand Lodge of Massachusetts, and
Grand Instructor Webber, as well as the
D. D. G. M. Malonzo and his marshal,
Frank Bryant, were guests of the lodge.
A fine turkey supper, served by Caterer
Rhodes, was partaken of by about ninety
members, who had answered the roll
call. Letters of regret from William
H. Goodwin, Neabitt G. Gleason, John
N. Cole and others were read by the se-
cretary, following the roll call. A pleas-
ant evening was enjoyed by all.

Changes in B. & M. Time Table

On Monday, December 15, the Boston
& Maine will make several changes on
their schedule. For the benefit of
Townsmen readers the following list of
changes is given:

To Boston

The 10.19 train in the morning is
changed to 10.17. The 8.34 train is
taken off, the 4.26 is changed to 4.24,
the 5.55 to 5.50, the 9.06 to 8.54, and on
Sundays the 8.33 to 8.32.

From Boston

The 8.30 train is changed to 8.25, the
10.15 train is taken off, the 3.42 is
changed to 3.40, the 5.35 to 5.32, the 6.03
to 6.02. The Sunday trains remain the
same.

Advertised Letters.

Unclaimed letters, Dec. 9, 1907.
Backus, C. L. Jacques, Professor
Carter, Theresa Johnson, J. H.
Cooley, Frederick S. Masten, Charles
Hunt, Mrs. Gertrude Rankin, L. A.
Huntington, Mrs. C. W. Robert, H. R.
Stewart, Mrs. A. D.

ARTHUR BLISS, P. M.

WEST PARISH

Mrs. Charles Jameon and Mrs. Wil-
liam Clark will entertain the Seaman's
Friend Society next Thursday evening
in the vestry.

Successful Sociable.

Five cents was the price but many
times that was the enjoyment expe-
rienced by the gathering which assem-
bled in the Free church vestry last
evening to see and hear the little
folks perform. It was another one
of the Free church successes and the
vestry was filled with an interested
audience. The vestry was decorated
very appropriately for the occasion,
bunting and flags being used in
abundance, to decorate the walls and
chandeliers.

The entertainment was of a patri-
otic nature, called the Building of the
Red, White, and Blue. Fifteen chil-
dren took part. All carried flags and
the little drill that was gone through
was very pretty.

The children were then arranged
in two lines before a board and the
building of the flag then took place.
Recitations were given by the dif-
ferent children as each put a stripe on
the flag. The blue ground was cov-
ered with stars by Eric Wilson who
made the opening recitation. Several
patriotic songs were sung by the
children and the audience joined in
the choruses. After the drill was
over, two little girls, Edith Hender-
son and Marion Fraser gave recita-
tions and a duet, "Soldier's Farewell,"
was sung by Misses Mary Findley
and Jean Dundas.

This concluded the entertainment,
but a social time followed.

Great credit is due to the ladies
who conducted the affair, especially
to Mrs. James Anderson who taught
and directed the little ones.

Public School Notes.

The fall term ends today, and the
winter term will open Monday, Dec.
30.

The West Centre schools were
closed yesterday, Thursday, for the
remainder of the term because of
scarlet fever.

Miss Phoebe L. Hosmer, teacher of
French and German in the Pynchard
School, has resigned to accept a posi-
tion in the High School at Stamford,
Conn.

The School Committee at its last
meeting voted to employ an addi-
tional teacher to relieve the conges-
tion in the Stowe School, particularly
in grades five, seven and eight.

A special meeting of the School
Committee was held last week at
which Superintendent Palmer read a
paper on the educational value of
manual training. An interesting dis-
cussion of the subject followed the
reading of the paper.

Mr. John Alden has presented to the
Schools twelve beautiful large photo-
graphs of the Whittier homestead,
besides a number of other smaller
views about the homes of the poet,
the decennial of whose birth is to be
celebrated next Tuesday. As the
schools will not be in session at that
time appropriate exercises are being
held to-day.

Card of Thanks.

The undersigned wish to thank all
their friends and neighbors for their
many acts of kindness and words of
sympathy during the sickness and
passing away of Mr. Samuel Cheever.

SAMUEL THOMES AND
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Dissolution of Partnership

The firm of May and Moncur, paint-
ers, has been dissolved by mutual
consent. All persons owing the firm
money will kindly pay same to James
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We were crossing Long canyon on our way to Mussel rocks, little Made line and I.

I took her hand to help her down the steep side of the canyon.

"It is such a little hand," I said fondly. "It ought to be a wee bit longer, though, for its width."

"What a funny boy you are, Jamie!" Madeline laughed. "What a compliment. Why didn't you say, 'It is a beautiful hand and a perfect one?'"

"I suppose it is my Scotch bluntness, girlie," I answered. "If I had said that, you would have thought I was flattering. I didn't mean to find fault with the hand, though. It is a pretty hand."

We climbed the other side of the canyon and started along the trail, narrow as it skirted the sand hills and hard to follow. At its end Madeline was pink checked, and her hair was blowing about her sweet face in dusky little crinkles.

"I can't explore the rocks and the caves and all the wonders of the deep till I get my breath," she declared, dropping on the sand.

"There's plenty of time," I answered, comfortably sitting down by her. "We have the whole long day before us."

"A whole long day?" she repeated musingly. "And after the day, what then?"

My pulse leaped. If I had my desire I knew what would be after the day—another day and another and a day beyond that till life was done, all filled with love and peace and Madeline.

"And now that your dredger did not prove a failure you are a rich man, Jamie," she remarked presently, for I had been silent with my thoughts.

"Yes," I answered, turning my head to listen to the throb of the engine as it came to me faintly on the sea breeze. That was the sound which spelled for me "success." By the engine's work



"JAMIE, LET ME HELP YOU START AGAIN," the tiny particles of gold hiding in the black sand were being taken out, as no other device had ever brought them out, and the invention was the child of my brain. Perhaps my jubilation had made me oversure.

"To one who understands the law the demand for something creates the supply. I have success and riches, but neither is sufficient," I remarked arrogantly. "Madeline, you are the girl for me. I want to change the gold that the sand gives up to me into lace and silks and fine linen for you, dear, into jewels to sparkle in your little pink ears and at your white throat and on your pretty hands. I want to spend

AMONG THE CHURCHES, CLUBS AND SOCIETIES

Christian Endeavor Fair.

The Christian Endeavor Society of the South Church will hold a Fair in their vestry on Tuesday evening. Doors will open at seven. Admission fee, 15 cents. Fifteen cents will buy a good deal. The booths will look so pretty that one may spend more at them. There will be ice cream, chocolate, candy, cake, and mystery tables. The Ministering Ten of the King's Daughters will manage a table of fancy articles.

At 7:45 an excellent entertainment will be given. Members of the society will be assisted by the Punched Seniors who lately played "A Romantic Rogue," and by the town musical organization.

The program follows:

Red Jacket March. Miss Alice Holt

Solo. Misses West

Filipino March. Misses West

Duet. Misses West

A ROMANTIC ROGUE

Dr. Walker, Alexander Morrison

Mollie Walker, Helen Davies

Jack Emery, Roy Hardy

Ethel Darling, Ethel Hitchcock

Gertie Green, Jane Coyne

P. A. Musical Clubs Concert

An enthusiastic audience from both the academies and the town heard the combined musical clubs in the Annual Fall Concert last Friday evening in the Town hall. The whole performance was a pronounced success and the ten parts of the program, with encores, were well enjoyed and applauded. This is the first time that the Musical clubs have given the Fall Concert without the co-operation of the Dramatic Club, which has postponed its play until the winter term. The "Academy quartet" was one of the new features of the concert, held now for the first time. It was well received in its number, to which was given as an encore the very amusing "S-O-L-D." The concert began and ended with the two Andover "battlesongs," "Andover Rah," and "Old P. A." respectively.

The general quality of the club's music proved the hard work done during the term by leaders and members. Deserved praise is due to the three leaders, and to Messrs. Handley and Manning, instructors of the clubs. The concert was opened with "Andover Rah," by the combined musical clubs, with great applause. Espana followed, played by the Mandolin club. It was well received and as an encore "Filipino Shuffle" was given.

"Bells of Shandon," one of the best pieces for harmony sung by college clubs, was offered by the Glee Club, with a humorous selection as an encore, "The Girl Named Hannah."

Next came "An African Intermezzo," played by the Banjo Club, with an encore, "The Ghost of a Banjo Coon," following.

During the intermission the Academy quartet sang, "My Little Cotton Dolly," and "Little Tommy" to appreciative applause.

The Mandolin Club began the second part of the program with "Red Jacket March," to which an encore, "Honey Boy," was called for.

The Glee Club then sang, "In Piccadilly," responding to an encore, "I Want Her."

"Big Chief Battle-ax" was a tribute to Dartmouth's song by the Banjo Club.

The Glee Club again sang, and, as before, was given an encore. The first song was "The Winds Are All Hushed," and the amusing "Miss Capaline," led by A. L. Baurly, the encore.

"Old P. A." closed the program, given by the combined clubs as before.

and then we took the narrow trail homeward.

"The day has grown so cold, Jamie, that it won't be pleasant to stay as we had planned to do," she said, but her dark eyes evaded mine as she said it.

I understood. It was not the change of the day that had come to us, but the change in ourselves, in our relations to each other.

Next day brought news of a storm at sea. The sun was shining, but the waves were running immensely high. My gold for you as a king would give to his queen. May I, Madeline?

"Why, Jamie!" Madeline was looking up at me, laughing, though her dark eyes held no hint of laughter.

"Why, Jamie, you will turn poet yet. That was a pretty, pretty speech."

A breath from the sea, piercing cold, struck me.

"But you haven't answered my question yet, dear," I said haltingly.

"The demand for something creates the supply," you said, Jamie, but I don't believe it is always true—not in this case anyway. It is good of you to want to buy things for me, but I must decline, with thanks."

"But, Madeline, you have to work now, and I could do everything for you."

The little head was raised so independently.

"I am proud to earn my own living. I thought you understood me better than that."

The unkind breath of the sea struck me again, chilling my body even as her words made cold my heart.

"If you could change your mind," I began, "I could wait till—till—"

"Till sour grapes become sweet and the mulberry leaf satin," she smiled. "You would tire of waiting. But we won't talk about it any more. Now I'm rested shall we explore the caves?"

I rose at once and helped her to her feet. Without animation and almost in silence we looked at the different colored ledges of the cave ceiling, we saw the little sponges on the rocks, we viewed the curious coal tar formations.

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Club and Society

The D. O. C. club will hold a dance tonight in the town hall.

The Firemen will hold a clam supper in the engine house tonight.

Tickets for the W. A. M. club dance may be secured from the members.

A special electric will leave Andover for Lawrence, after the R. C. O. A. dance in the town hall on January 3.

Andover lodge, I. O. O. F., will pay Hope Lodge of Methuen a fraternal visit next Monday evening to work the second degree.

Invitations are out for the W. A. M. club dance, which will be held in Pilgrim Hall on Wednesday evening, January first, 1908.

The Ministering Ten of the King's Daughters of the South church will have charge of a gift table at the Christian Endeavor sale which will be held next Tuesday.

At the North Essex Congregational club, held in Trinity church in Lawrence, Monday evening, Rev. Clarke Carter of this town, read a very interesting poem entitled "The Best Kind of Sermon."

The Sons of Veterans held a dance in Pilgrim hall on Tuesday night and a good crowd, considering the state of the weather was in attendance. Pearson's orchestra furnished excellent music for the dancing and Higgins catered.

The entertainment and sale of the Christian Endeavor Society of the South church takes place next Tuesday evening. The members of the Senior class at Punched will present their play again and the P. A. mandolin club will give selections.

Last Tuesday evening the Men's club of the Free church held a very successful meeting which was largely attended even though the weather was very stormy. Charles L. Carpenter, recently an engineer in Panama, gave a very interesting talk on the Panama canal and his personal knowledge of the construction of the canal made his sketch extremely entertaining. After the talk a lunch was served and the evening passed off very pleasantly.

CHURCH CALENDAR FOR NEXT WEEK

South Church Congregational Central St. Organized 1711. Frank R. Shipman, Pastor

SUNDAY, DEC. 15.
10:30 a.m. Morning worship, with sermon by the pastor. Also, Sunday kindergarten.
11:45 a.m. Junior Y.P.S.C.E.
6:30 p.m. Senior Y.P.S.C.E.
7:30 p.m. Evening worship, with observance of the Whittier Centenary.
Tuesday, 7:00 p.m. Y.P.S.C.E. Fair and Entertainment. See notice in another column.
Wednesday, 7:45 p.m. Mid-week meeting, 8:30, teacher-training class.
Thursday, 8:00 p.m. Missionary meeting of the Women's Union.

Christ Church, Episcopal, Central Street Organized 1838. Rev. Frederic Palmer, Rector.

SERVICES FOR SUNDAY, DEC. 15.
10:30 a.m. Morning Prayer with sermon by the rector.
12:00 m. Sunday-School.
7:30 p.m. Evening Prayer.
Wednesday, 7:30 p.m. Girls' Friendly Society.
Thursday, 8:00 p.m. Woman's Guild.

St. Augustine's Church, Roman Catholic, Essex St. Organized 1850. Rev. Fr. Morfian, Pastor.

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10:30 a.m. Morning Prayer with sermon by the rector.
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Thursday, 8:00 p.m. Woman's Guild.

Free Church, Congregational, Railroad St. Organized 1846. Rev. Frederic A. Willson, Pastor.

SERVICES FOR SUNDAY, DEC. 15.
10:30 a.m. Morning worship with sermon by the pastor.
Sunday School to follow the morning service.
6:30 p.m. Meeting of the Y.P.S.C.E.
7:30 p.m. Praise meeting and Whittier service.
Monday evening. Reading circle at home of Miss Florence Richardson, Whittier street.
Wednesday, 7:45 p.m. Mid-week prayer and conference meeting.

Seminary Church, "On the Hill," Organized 1865. Connected with Andover Theological Seminary. The Seminary Professors, Pastors.

SERVICES SUNDAY, DEC. 15

10:30 a.m. Morning service, with sermon by Professor Day.
11:45 a.m. Sunday-School.
Christmas exercises.
5:15 p.m. Phillips Academy Vesper service, with address by Mr. Stearns.

Wednesday, 7:30 p.m. Prayer-meeting in Barlett Chapel.

8:30 a.m. Mass and instruction, Sunday-school following.

10:30 a.m. High Mass and sermon.

3:30 p.m. Vespers.

First Sunday of each month, Communion day for Sacred Heart Sodality.

Second Sunday of each month, Communion day for the children.

Third Sunday of each month, Communion and Rosary and Arch Confraternity.

The Andover Junior Association Football team will play the Macgregor Juniors of Quincy on the cricket grounds tomorrow. This is the first game in the Boston and District cups ties. A good game is expected as both teams are great rivals. The kick-off at three o'clock prompt. Andover team: Goal, Hume; backs, C. Nicoll and C. Shea; half-backs, W. McKenzie, W. Ireland, J. Winters; forwards, right wing, C. Evers, Burnett, Matthews; centre, Peter Cairnie, capt.; left wing, John Black and J. Gorrie; reserve, W. McCoy. Linesman, W. Black; referee, Robert Cairnie. Admission, 10 cents.

Baked Bean Supper.

The Woman's Relief Corps held a very successful baked bean supper last Saturday evening in G. A. R. hall. Three long tables loaded with good things made a pleasing sight to the hungry crowd which partook of the food. An appetizing menu of baked beans, brown bread, rolls, pickles, pies of different kinds, coffee and doughnuts was heartily enjoyed by those present. Supper was served from half past five until half past seven, after which the tables were cleared away and dancing was enjoyed from eight till eleven. A most enjoyable evening was spent by all who attended.

Whist Party

A very pleasant Whist Party was held at the home of Frank B. Grout on Walnut avenue last Friday night. About forty people were present to enjoy the card playing-making ten tables in all and the evening was filled with enjoyment. Unique and pretty favors were given to match the partners. Dainty refreshments were served.

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SERVICES FOR SUNDAY, DEC. 15.
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11:45 a.m. Sunday-School.
6:30 p.m. Y.P.S.C.E. service.
7:15 p.m. Gospel service.
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Wednesday 7:30 p.m. Prayer meeting.

Free Church, Congregational, Railroad St. Organized 1846. Rev. Frederic A. Willson, Pastor.

SERVICES FOR SUNDAY, DEC. 15.
10:30 a.m. Morning worship with sermon by the pastor.
Sunday School to follow the morning service.
6:30 p.m. Meeting of the Y.P.S.C.E.
7:30 p.m. Praise meeting and Whittier service.
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11:45 a.m. Sunday-School.
Christmas exercises.
5:15 p.m. Phillips Academy Vesper service, with address by Mr. Stearns.

Wednesday, 7:30 p.m. Prayer-meeting in Barlett Chapel.

8:30 a.m. Mass and instruction, Sunday-school following.

10:30 a.m. High Mass and sermon.

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KEEPING TAB ON THE WORLD

The Sixtieth Congress Under the Cannon-Aldrich Leadership Decides to Make Haste Slowly in Dealing With the Currency Problem—President Roosevelt in Message Stands Pat on Past Utterances—Government Payment of Campaign Expenses Urged—Financial Situation Slowly Improving, Except for Weak Spots in the West. Central Bank Idea Gains—A New Japanese Ambassador. Taft Talks With Czar.

CONGRESSIONAL

Opening of Sixtieth Congress.

The first day of the Sixtieth congress was taken up largely with the routine business of its organization. The senate was in session only half an hour and did nothing but swear in new members and call the roll. There was a slight clash of opinions as to the order of these two matters, Senator Lodge objecting to the course of Vice President Fairbanks in having the senators sworn before the roll call and saying it was contrary to custom. The vice president insisted, however, that this had been the practice of the senate for more than a hundred years. The new Oklahoma senators, Owen and Gore, were not recognized, and their credentials will not be accepted until after their formal election by the new state's legislature Dec. 10. Neither Senator Bankhead nor Senator Johnston of Alabama could be sworn until the deaths of their predecessors, Morgan and Pettus, had been announced, as the senate adjourned in honor of the dead.

In the house the only variation from the cut and dried routine outlined by the leaders of the majority was the protest made by Cooper of Wisconsin against the rules of the last congress. Speaker Cannon had been duly elected in accordance with the unanimous choice of the Republican caucus on the preceding Saturday night and had been escorted to the chair by Williams, the Democratic leader, when the adoption of the former rules was moved. Mr. Cooper said that experience had convinced him that the rules gave too much power to the speaker and too little opportunity for the members to represent their constituents. For instance, when he had refused to vote for the Pacific railroads refunding bill a former speaker had refused to recognize him for any purpose for the next four or five years. He declared further that the speaker had become the sole judge of what legislation should be considered, whereas, in his opinion, the leadership of the party should be upon the floor of the house and not in the chair.

Mr. Cooper's protest was seconded by De Armond of Missouri and by Leader Williams. In reply Dailzell of Pennsylvania said the rules had been proved effective in legislation, and the speaker said that the majority could change a rule whenever it was so disposed. He cited the fact that the speaker is also a member and as such is entitled to refuse unanimous consent. This incident showed how completely the organization of the house was in the hands of Speaker Cannon and the men who have heretofore surrounded him. Two big demonstrations marked the house opening, one being the cheer given to the speaker when he ascended the rostrum and the other for W. J. Bryan when he came on the floor, exercising his right as a former member.

Similar to conditions in the house, the direction of the senate majority was seen to center round Aldrich of Rhode Island, chairman of the finance committee, to whom it was decided to give the privilege of initiating a new currency reform bill. He, with Crane and Lodge of Massachusetts, had been summoned to the White House to confer with the president on the financial situation. It was understood that Knox of Pennsylvania was to be appointed chairman of the committee on rules to succeed Senator Spooner, retired, a position of great power in the senate. A striking figure among the new senators was Jefferson Davis of Arkansas, a round faced, physical giant who had announced his intention of stirring up the dignified senate. His maiden speech, however, was put off to a later day.

The President's Message.

In both house and senate the annual message of President Roosevelt was presented, the formal notice of the assembling of congress having been made by a joint committee. The message comprised a document of considerable length and covered pretty fully the various phases of federal activity. There were few new or striking fea-

tures, most of the ideas and suggestions presented being such as had become familiar to the public through the president's speeches during the past year, and on several subjects he quoted freely from former messages, renewing previous recommendations. Perhaps the most novel and radical suggestion was that the government should pay the campaign expenses of the two great parties, thus avoiding the collection of large corruption funds.

He referred to the energy and industrial ability of the American people and the fundamental soundness of our business conditions and deplored the practice of money hoarding. He reiterated the necessity of government control of interstate commerce and insisted that the federal constitution makes ample provision for such control, and in this connection he would provide a federal charter for large corporations doing interstate business. A revision of the currency laws to provide for greater elasticity in the volume of the circulating medium is strongly urged. He renewed his recommendations for the imposition of an income and inheritance tax, indorses the postmaster general's plan for postal savings banks and the extension of the parcels post and would provide for a better ocean mail service. The present system of protective tariff, he thinks, should be preserved, but admits that a revision of the schedule may be desirable. He strongly urges an inland waterway system both through the Mississippi valley and along the Atlantic coast, declares for a larger army, with better pay, and a material increase in naval construction the coming year. A recommendation is also made for representation at the Tokyo exposition in 1912.

Chairman Fowler Reappointed.

As an indication of a desire on the part of congress to deal promptly with the currency question Speaker Cannon departed from precedent in naming the house committee on banking and currency in the opening hours of the session instead of waiting until after the Christmas recess. Fowler of New Jersey, who recently criticized Secretary Cortelyou for what he termed his "inefficient efforts to relieve the financial situation." The committee is expected to organize at once.

Culberson Leads Minority.

The caucus of Democratic senators chose Culberson of Texas as chairman, a position which by custom carries with it the authority of minority leadership in the senate and which was held by his colleague, Senator Bailey. The fact that Culberson was elected without opposition showed that the revelations of Bailey's service for Standard Oil interests had deprived him of his former support.

LEGAL-CRIMINAL

Railroad Obeys Alabama Law.

Governor Comer of Alabama announced that President Emerson and General Counsel Alexander Hamilton of the Atlantic Coast Line had agreed to put into effect the freight rate named in the railroad rate bills and also the 2% cent passenger rate.

Decisions of the Supreme Court.

The United States supreme court at Washington has handed down a decision favorable to the company in the case of the Louisville and Nashville Railroad company against Marcus K. Bitterman and others. The action was to enjoin Bitterman and other scalpers from dealing in non-negotiable reduced fare Louisville and Nashville tickets.

In the cases of the Webster Coal company and the Pennsylvania Coal and Coke company against the Pennsylvania Railroad company, the action being to recover damages alleged to have been sustained by reason of the road's discrimination in favor of other companies in the transportation of coal, the court decided that the officers of the railroad could be required to exhibit its books for inspection by the coal companies in advance of the trial to assist the plaintiffs in the preparation of their case.

In the case of Thomas Polk and others of Tennessee against the Mutual Reserve Fund Life Association of New York the court decided that the reincorporation of the company had not violated any of the rights of the policy holders and that therefore the state law under which the company acted was not in contravention of the federal constitution.

Thaw Trial Over to Jan. 6.

Against the wishes and pleas of Harry Thaw, the wealthy Pittsburgh young man held in the New York Tombs for the murder of Stanford White, the second trial, which had been set for Dec. 2, was again postponed on motion of District Attorney Jerome until Jan. 6 on the ground that the jury would have to be locked up during the Christmas holidays. Martin W. Littleton appeared for the defendant, and his wife, Evelyn Nesbit Thaw, was the only member of his family to attend the session. Mr. Littleton will be assisted in the defense by his brother, Jesse M. Littleton, the mayor of Winchester, Tenn.

Mrs. Bradley "Not Guilty."

The trial of Mrs. Annie Bradley at Washington for the murder of ex-Senator Brown of Utah, with whom she had been on intimate terms for years, ended with a verdict of "not guilty" Dec. 3 after the jury had not been held nearly all night. Only one juror had held out against the verdict for hours, and he was for manslaughter. The crowd in the courtroom applauded the verdict, the technical ground of which was insanity induced by the ill treatment of the defendant by Brown.

Powder Trust Denies It All.

Thirty-eight of the forty-three defendants named by the government in its charges of conspiracy and trad-

estration on the part of the powder trust have filed answers in the federal court at Wilmington, all denying the charges. The chief contention is that the business is not unlawful because large and that the company had a right to purchase other companies or properties when considered good investments. The answers show how the smaller concerns were absorbed by the voluntary consent of both parties.

Closing Sunday Theaters.

Supreme Court Justice O'Gorman of New York on the strength of an old but unrecalled law has decided that every form of play, concert or public amusement is illegal on Sunday in that city. The mayor and police commissioner at once took measures to enforce the law, and the managers were disposed to put it up to the public by offering no resistance.

Federalizing State Railroads.

The United States circuit court of appeals at St. Louis, reversing the decision of the district court for Colorado in the case against the Colorado and Northwestern Railroad company, holds that any railroad wholly within a state, but carrying goods consigned from one state to another, is subject to the interstate commerce law, and to regulation by the interstate commerce commission. Judges Sanborn of St. Paul and Van Devanter of Cheyenne gave the decision. Judge Phillips of Kansas City dissenting.

Reverses Fine of the Southern.

The North Carolina supreme court has reversed Judge Long of the superior court in the \$30,000 fine imposed on the Southern railway for selling tickets above the rate of 2 1/4 cents a mile established by the legislature. The higher court holds the criminal proceedings void, saying that where a civil penalty is prescribed against a corporation, followed by the creation of a criminal offense against the agents of the corporation, the civil penalty first prescribed relieves the corporation of punishment by indictment under the criminal offense created against the agent.

Shot in Governor's Office.

John A. Steele, a lunatic released from an asylum three weeks, entered the statehouse at Boston Dec. 5 intending to kill Governor Guild. In the executive's anteroom Steele shot down three labor leaders waiting for an audience, one of whom was not expected to live, and then was overpowered by others present.

FOREIGN

Taft Visits With the Czar.

Secretary of War Taft after a brief stop at Moscow, Russia, where he and his family were elaborately entertained under constant guard by troops, arrived at St. Petersburg Dec. 4 and was received by the czar at Tsarskoe-Selo in private audience, the visit lasting five hours. First the two talked together for an hour; then they reviewed the crack military force at the palace and went to luncheon. The czar is said to have expressed his high regard for the United States and to have sent a warm greeting to President Roosevelt. The Taft party next made a short call at Berlin.

Czar Asks Douma to Work.

The douma's reply to the speech from the throne was read by Emperor Nicholas, and on the margin he wrote: "I am ready to believe the expressed sentiments. I await productive work." The same day President Khomyakoff of the douma had an audience with the czar, and the latter listened with great interest to descriptions of the debates in the stormy sessions when autocracy was under consideration. During Saturday's session a scene of utmost excitement followed the statement of M. Rodicheff, leader of the Constitutional Democrats, that posterity would remember "Stolypin's necktie," referring to the name given to the hangman's noose during the recent harsh and repressive measures. The czar said Rodicheff was a madman. Premier Stolypin took occasion to tell the douma in so many words that "the historic, autocratic power and free will of the monarch stand out as the most precious assets of the Russian state."

Ambassador Aoki Recalled.

Obviously to report orally to his government on the treatment of Japanese immigrants in America, Viscount Aoki, the Japanese ambassador, was summoned by cable to return to Tokyo forthwith. Although it was denied at the legation that the recall was intended to be permanent, the impression generally was that Mr. Aoki would not return. He insisted that there was no strain in the relations of the two countries, but it is known that his relations with the state department have not been the smoothest. In the interval Tsunejira Miyaoka will act as charge d'affaires. Already rumor has it that Baron Kaneko will succeed Aoki.

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EXECUTIVE

Would Improve Postal Service.

Postmaster General Meyer in his annual report makes several recommendations for increasing the efficiency and extending the scope of the work of the postoffice department. Chief among these recommendations was that for the establishment of postal savings banks. Mr. Meyer would have every money order office and such others as may be deemed necessary designated to receive deposits in amounts of not less than \$1, but the amount of individual accounts he would limit to \$500. On these deposits interest at the rate of 2 per cent should be allowed. A material extension of the parcels post service is urged. A recommendation is also made for more up-to-date business methods and a revised system of bookkeeping. He also suggests a permanent official corresponding to the superintendent of a mill or the agent of a great manufacturing corporation, who would hold office continuously through various administrations. In illustrating the growth of the postal business during the last fifty years Mr. Meyer states that in 1857 the receipts were \$8,063,962, with a deficit of \$3,454,106, while in the last fiscal year the receipts were \$183,585,006, with a deficit of \$8,053,292. He believes that by 1917 the receipts will be over \$350,000,000.

United States as a Naval Power.

The annual report of Secretary McCall of the navy department affords interesting reading to those who think the United States should take a foremost place among the naval powers of the world. The report indicates that this country today possesses warships registering a greater tonnage than any other nation on the globe save Great Britain. Our closest rival is France, and when the ships now under construction in both countries are completed the French navy will slightly exceed ours in tonnage. Of the other leading naval powers Germany stands fourth, Japan fifth and Russia sixth. The secretary calls particular attention to the high standard of the enlisted men now in the navy and to the marked increase in enlistments during the first four months of the present fiscal year over those for the same period in the year previous. He earnestly recommends provision for the appointment of two vice admirals, that our country may not, as often occurs at present, be outranked on important public occasions by the representatives of nations far inferior to ours in naval strength.

Prosperous Year for Farmers.

The report of Secretary of Agriculture Wilson for the year ending June 30 last indicates a period of great prosperity for the farmers of the country, although in some respects they were compelled to contend with adverse conditions which cut down the crop yield below the output of former years. In spite of this the high prices which prevail have made the total value of the farm products of the country far above anything heretofore known, reaching the stupendous sum of \$7,412,000,000, or \$657,000,000 in excess of the previous year. The value of the corn crop alone is estimated at \$1,350,000,000. Attention is drawn to the beet sugar industry, which in 1902 produced 13,460 tons, while last year the output was 500,000 tons. The rice crop was 98 per cent above the average for the three preceding years. This country now exports more rice than it imports. The operations of the meat inspection service during the year showed an inspection of 50,999,034 animals, of which 149,792 carcasses and 529,876 parts were condemned for disease or other causes. The cost of this inspection was \$2,159,474.

Canal Bond Sale Closed.

The opening of proposals for the \$50,000,000 of Panama canal bonds showed that the amount had been subscribed several times over and that a good figure, well above the market price, would be realized for the securities. While the official figures were not obtainable, it was thought that the average price would prove to be about 104. The allotment of the bonds will be at the discretion of the secretary of the treasury.

Cortelyou's Report Out.

The annual report of Secretary of the Treasury Cortelyou recounts the efforts made by him to avert a serious money panic and asks congress to do something to give the country a more elastic currency, but suggests no definite measure. The total receipts were \$846,725,830, and the expenditures were \$762,488,753. For the current year the expenses are estimated at \$802,025,581 and the revenues at \$844,025,581.

Destroyers Start Cruise.

The second flotilla of torpedo boats, which is to precede the battleship squadron on the great cruise to the Pacific, began the voyage Dec. 1, sailing from Norfolk, where the battleships are now assembling.

COMMERCIAL

Railroad War in East.

The notice served by President Melien of the New York, New Haven and Hartford railroad that all joint rates on through freight to and from New England points would be canceled on the Reading, Jersey Central and Baltimore and Ohio lines on and after Dec. 17 has started a commercial war that

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Buy at Home

You won't be able to find everything that you want for your Christmas list of presents in Andover, and there will probably be some things one cannot find in Lawrence, but don't you think it is worth while making every possible effort to first try the Andover field, then the next nearest home, before you spend your money for carriages to go to Boston?

Every succeeding Christmas, the shoppers are asking for more and more useful presents. In no town the size of Andover can there be found a larger variety of real good things than you can find in Andover. Of course there will be many things not carried in the stock of the small store keeper, but the local dealer needs your trade, stays here twelve months in the year to take care of your hurry calls, has for two hundred years, more or less, been your servant, with very few exceptions securing as a return only the fair living that is always the proper right of industry, sobriety and honesty.

The Christmas season is like the cream on the milk. Next summer will be like the milk after it has been skimmed. He will have to take the skimmed milk then, give him a little of the cream at this time. You will be surprised if you go through the different stores in town to see how many good things can be obtained for suitable Christmas gifts. Try it on.

Editorial Cinders.

"It is easier to criticize the best thing superbly, than to do the smallest thing indifferently."
—Drummond.

One of the most unique as well as most attractive Christmas features tempting the purses of those who would find a feature for the child's Christmas stocking, is the invention of one of Andover's talented ladies. Who with a face ache, with an ear ache, with an ache or a pain anywhere in the body, has not blessed over and over again the inventor of the hot water bottle. But soothing as is the effect, the bottle itself has all these years remained a sort of uncanny, misshapen blessing. It remained for Mrs. Patty Comfort, the wife of one of the Andover professors, to see the possibilities of making the hot water bottle, when filled with water and the air bag when filled with air that most delightful of all in the child's list of companions, an attractive doll. So on the market this year are little Indians, fair faced girls, chubby boys and we don't know how many other kinds of junior Patty Comforts to be inflated by air or filled with water, and in every case delightful companions for the child to snuggle when the sand man comes 'round at night. It is THE unique feature in hot water bottles. It cannot help attracting the attention and interest of thousands of mothers who are seeking for not only a useful but an entertaining gift for the smallest members of the family.

A week ago when the fire horses were needed, they were a mile from the engine house. Wednesday morning of this week, because they were right at home, and also because the fire was near the engine house, a line of hose was laid in forty-five seconds for the bakery fire, and saved a very serious injury to valuable property in the centre of the town. There is little that needs to be said about the importance of keeping the fire horses within a restricted district. The authority that controls the fire horses has never been settled, but whoever has them in charge should not be allowed to take them so far away from the engine house that they cannot respond promptly. The town cannot afford to keep the horses for fire purposes solely, but even more it cannot afford to be without their services when they are needed.

This is a subject that has been discussed for many years and probably will not be settled for some time to come, but we may all agree that whether it is adjusted in one month or ten years, the horses must not be allowed to get too far away from the engine house. The department is equipped to do splendid work both in men and apparatus and we cannot afford to weaken it by any "penny wise and pound foolish" policy of getting a little more work out of the town horses.

The annual session of the Grange being held at Pittsfield, is taking up live questions and affording another opportunity that the farmers are so wisely embracing for an interchange of ideas. The farmer's lot has never been more enjoyable than it is at the present time. The profits not only reach out to the swelling of the bank account, but they are the more material profits seen in better home life, wider vision, larger interest in the affairs of life that reach beyond the stone walls of the home fields.

Nine hundred delegates from Massachusetts citizen towns are out in Pittsfield this week and they are coming home not alone filled with new suggestions for larger crops, but with that effect upon their whole lives that only can come from associating one with another, and rubbing elbows with the outside world. It is a great day for the farmer and the Grange has been one of the most potent forces in bringing it about.

We have this week received a communication, but the writer's name does not accompany it. May we repeat it again, communications cannot be published unless the writer's name is sent to prove good faith. Any signature may be attached to the communication, the name does not necessarily need to be printed, but we cannot print anonymous communications.

CHRISTMAS SHOPPING

Local Dealers Display Tempting Wares for Christmas Giving

The time has come again when the lovers of pretty things and the prospective buyers of gifts for Christmas are gazing into the shop windows at the attractiveness displayed within, and Andover's store windows lack nothing in their appeal to the helpers of Santa Claus. Each storekeeper is putting forth his best efforts to make his especial line of goods attractive and that all are succeeding, especially those whose windows display toys and gifts for children, is evidenced by the pointed fingers and bright eyes of the little folks. One need not go outside of the town limits to buy suitable presents for all the family.

To go more into detail; several windows in town are filled with those things that make the hearts of the children glad, and as Christmas is a children's holiday, mention of these will take the first place. The Metropolitan has only one window to be sure but that one is filled with games, toys of every description, teddy bears, dolls, books, horns, rattles, sets of dishes and last but not least candy and cookies enough to make the little ones glad for a year. Across the street Miss Riley has a very pretty window, which contains besides little gifts for little people, small but useful presents to the grown-ups as well. Pretty handkerchiefs, manicure sets, dainty pin cushions, little pictures, brush and comb sets and other necessary articles are displayed here.

The small boy has not been forgotten and his love for steam engines, and "things that go when you wind 'em up," is fully satisfied in one of the displays shown in W. I. Morse's hardware store. Mechanical toys of every description as well as horses, teddy bears, and all the rest, fill up a window which is very prettily trimmed with evergreen. Smith and Manning's is another place where the boys' and girls' wishes may be filled, a fine lot of toys being displayed in their large window.

Now for the older people. Father needs a new necktie, handkerchief, armlets, stockings, cuff-links, or maybe a hat or a suit of clothes. J. William Dean's clothing store is in plain view and his line on all of these things is well worth looking over. Burns' tailoring establishment and P. J. Hannon's furnishing store, as well as W. H. Guillemette's establishment also carry an attractive display. Mayhap his needs fall into sharper things such as a razor or a sackknife. These can be well supplied by Walter Morse in his hardware store. Mother's shears are pretty well worn out and sister needs a pair of pretty embroidery scissors to complete her work basket. These also can be found in the display that fills the other pretty window of the tool shop.

Most dainty handkerchiefs for dainty noses are being shown this year at T. A. Holt's and La Fleur de lis and these are always acceptable for Christmas gifts. At Holt's store also are found baskets, umbrellas, pretty boxes of rucking, tea aprons, ribbons and other equally useful and ornamental gifts too numerous to mention, that mothers and sisters delight in.

Slippers and shoes make very acceptable gifts and everyone knows the reliable shoe stores in town, Brown's, Wright's and Crowley's. Pictures did you say? Most certainly. The new art store has been fully tested and found not wanting in the beautiful things that help to make rooms attractive. Landscapes, famous heads, copyings from the old masters and water-colors are only a few of the different subjects treated by this already well patronized store. Around the corner on Barnard street another art shop, always reliable, is showing a good line.

Then there are photo supplies, skates, hockey sticks, snow shoes, and other things for the cold weather that can be bought from H. F. Chase. All the drug stores carry a full line of toilet necessities, as well as the nicest of candy and cigars.

Plants and flowers make most pleasing gifts for the holiday and a large variety of beautiful blooms may be found in the florist's store in the Arco building occupied by J. H. Playdon.

And books, how about these, or Christmas cards or calendars or fancy writing paper. These may all be found at the bookstore in the Press building. A full line of the latest novels as well as children's books, and games make this store attractive to Christmas shoppers. Handsome boxes of Christmas paper, pocket-books, card cases, diaries, fountain pens, writing materials, calendars and cards as well as the pretty Denison materials for doing up the Christmas packages attractively, fill the store with interested onlookers, and buyers all through the day.

It may be jewelry that is chosen. J. E. Whiting has a most attractive line in this direction. Rings, bracelets, hat-pins, chains, locket, pins, cuff buttons, watches and clocks furnish a goodly line from which to choose Christmas gifts.

Fruit for the Christmas dinner, oranges, dates, figs, grape-fruit, bananas, grapes, and nuts of all kinds can be found at the two fruit stores, as well as at the different grocery stores in town.

These are only suggestions of the possibilities of Andover stores. It is hoped that the townspeople will profit by them and spend what they can of their Christmas pennies in the home town.

Notice.

There will be a meeting of the Abbott Village Coal Society in Abbott Village Hall on Monday evening, Dec. 23. Meeting called to order at eight o'clock sharp. All members are earnestly requested to attend.

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Her success in both was nothing short of phenomenal. Her technique alone would place her beside the greatest pianists of the day. No tone from the softest to the lowest but what was sonorous and filled with most intense vitality. In speaking on this point Mme. Samaroff said, "I have brought the relaxation of muscles and nerves under perfect control and the result is perfect ease in the most difficult execution and sonority of every sound."

In hearing her play one never thinks of the limitations of the piano. She seems to draw her tones from a sea of sound whose depths are unfathomable.

The haunting fantasia of Mozart, the noble and pulsating music of Schumann, the titanic variations of Brahms, the exquisite fantasia and Mazurka of Chopin, as well as the great Polonaise, were all given with consummate genius.

Take it all in all it was a wonderful concert, and it will ever remain a dream of light scintillating with beauty and color.

J. P. West's Bakery Burned

A fire which might easily have proved very serious occurred on Wednesday forenoon about quarter past eight, when the fire department was called to a blaze in West's bakery.

The fire was caused by the overheating of some doughnut fat which burst into flames, and in a second the whole work-room was filled with fire and smoke. Box 52 was rung in and the department responded quickly having a stream on the burning room inside of two minutes. Their work was effective, but the fire, though of short duration, was very fierce and the tools and baking oven were practically destroyed.

The blaze was confined to the work room wholly, no part of the store suffering except by the dense smoke. After the fire had been extinguished Mr. West immediately had carpenters set to work to repair and fit up the room and he will start up in business again just as soon as he can get the necessary equipment for his workroom.

The store will also be fitted up new, and painted, and will soon be as attractive as ever.

The damage sustained was partially, but not wholly, covered by insurance, which was placed through the Insurance Offices and the loss is partly adjusted.

Whittier Memorial.

The evening service at the South Church on Sunday will include the reading of poems by Whittier and the singing of his hymns. Next Tuesday will be the 100th anniversary of the poet's birth, and this observance is planned with reference to it. The poems and hymns will be as follows: Selection from Snow-Bound, Miss Mary Alice Abbott

The Christian Slave, Miss Ethel West
Laud Deo
Our State,
Hymns:—

Philip L. Hardy
Dear Lord and Father of Mankind
We may not climb the heavenly steeps.
I bow my forehead to the dust.
We see not, know not; all the way.
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Obituary

MRS. CORNELIA G. MURPHY

Mrs. Cornelia Gould Murphy, died suddenly in Boston last Friday. The news came as a shock to her many friends in town, where she lived before her marriage to Dr. Fred T. Murphy.

Mrs. Murphy was the daughter of Mrs. C. A. Gould of Abbot street, and her residence in town was marked by loving acts and cheerful looks which endeared her to all who knew her.

She was married to Dr. Fred T. Murphy, P. A. '93, and they moved to Boston where she had lived since. The body was brought to Andover on Sunday last, where burial took place.

Besides her husband, the deceased leaves a son, her mother, and two brothers to mourn her loss, and to these the sympathy of the whole community goes out in their great bereavement.

SAMUEL CHEEVER

The funeral over the remains of Samuel Cheever was held at the home of Samuel Thomes in the Scotland District on Monday afternoon at two o'clock. Rev. William E. Lombard of the Baptist church officiated at the house and the Grand Army service was given at the grave. A delegation of members from the G. A. R., of which the deceased was a member, was in attendance and the bearers were four of the comrades, H. C. Hitchcock, G. K. Dodge, E. K. Jenkins and James Saunders. Quantities of flowers testified to the esteem in which Mr. Cheever was held by all who knew him. Burial took place in the Spring Grove Cemetery.

Notice of the death of J. Blamire was sent to the Grand Lodge office, A. O. U. W., November 20th. The proof of death was forwarded December 2nd, and check for \$2000 was received by the Recorder of Lincoln Lodge, December 6th.

Punchard Notes.

Prize Speaking tonight.

Thomas Kyle was re-elected captain of the football team of 1908.

Games and dancing were then inaugurated and a jolly good time was spent by all.

The fall term examinations are completed with unusually good results. School closes today for the Christmas recess, reopening again on the 30th.

A school meeting was held in the school hall last Friday evening when the presentation of the new Punchard banner took place. Speeches were made by Roy Hardy, President of the Athletic association, and Frank Smith, manager of the football team. The presentation speech was made by Maude Bennett and the banner was accepted for the school by Thomas Kyle, captain of the football team. After this Mr. Gutterston spoke and a talk was also given by Charles Eames, Principal of the Lowell Textile School, an old Punchard boy of the class of 1893. Mr. Curtis was toastmaster of the evening. The unknown friend, who proved so generous in presenting the staff for the new banner, was found to be George A. Parker, treasurer of the board of trustees.

Weather Record

Temperature taken in the morning between 5 and 7 o'clock and at noon between 12 and 1 o'clock.

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" 12 Zero 20	" 12 24 32

P. A. Notes.

J. R. Kilpatrick, last year's track captain at Phillips Academy and also half-back on the football team, is shown by the following paragraph taken from a "Boston Transcript" of last week, to be the strongest man in the Freshman class at Yale.

"John R. Kilpatrick, captain and half-back of the Yale freshmen football eleven, is shown by the system of calculation used in the Yale gymnasium physical tests, to be the strongest man in the Freshman class. He scored a total of 1816.9 points, which is a record 174 points better than Edward H. Coy made last year."

"Kilpatrick, whose home is in New York, is nearly six feet in height and weighs in training about 175 pounds. The strength tests used in Yale are such that the results are relative to the weight of the subject taking the test, and do not show that the subject is arbitrarily stronger than other men of differing weight."

The following is the Academy basketball schedule, as arranged by Manager Isett. This year fifteen games have been scheduled, one more than last year. Two of the hardest teams played against last year, Harvard Second, and University of Maine, have been omitted from this year's schedule, as well as University of Vermont, and Brewster Academy. The following five games have been substituted for those dropped: Manchester High, Brown Freshmen, Berwick Academy, Holy Cross and Cushing Academy. Last year but one game was played out of town, but this year both the Harvard and the Brown game will be played at Cambridge, and Providence respectively.

The schedule is as follows:
Dec. 14, Manchester High School.
Jan. 11, Wesleyan University.
Jan. 15, Boston College.
Jan. 18, Manhattan College.
Jan. 22, Brown Freshmen.
Jan. 25, Open.
Jan. 29, Berwick Academy.
Feb. 1, Holy Cross.
Feb. 5, Norwich University.
Feb. 8, Brown University at Providence.
Feb. 12, Cushing Academy.
Feb. 15, Connecticut Aggies.
Feb. 19, Harvard University at Cambridge.
Feb. 26, Harvard Freshmen.
Feb. 29, Dean Academy.
Mar. 4, Open.
Mar. 7, Lowell Textile.

Lecture by Prof. Moorehead

Prof. Warren K. Moorehead of the Academy lectured Tuesday evening in the Archaeology Building on Prehistoric Man in America, before an interested audience of townspeople and Academy students. He took the position that man has existed in America for many thousands years, but that he was not here before the glacial period, or if he was, he was not at all civilized. Man existed in Europe and Asia earlier than this and the American Indian came over from Asia, but lost all connection with the Asiatic people in language and customs, etc. The types of the two races are distinctly alike, however, as is proved by their features. Mr. Moorehead began by explaining about the relics which had been found in the silt left by glaciers. Some of these are genuine, but others have fallen in crevices formed by earthquakes. It, therefore, takes an expert geologist to determine their genuineness. Interesting slides were shown of the formation of Niagara Falls, the glaciers of Alaska, Jacob's cave and the types of Indians, Japanese and Tartars. The slides of Jacob's cave are the only set in existence and the excavations there were made under the direction of the Andover Archaeology department. The cave runs in 100 feet and has many interesting features and relics. Mr. Moorehead is an expert in this line of work and his lecture was most interesting as well as informing.

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TO THE WIFE OF A MEAN MAN.

It is generally held, madam, in this little town that you are mean. People say that you never give away a nickel. They assert that you would split a penny with your washerwoman rather than give her an extra cent. Your husband has a fairer name for openhandedness. But I know better. You were not so close before your marriage. It was "easy come, easy go" with you in your type-writing days. But now you have no money except what your husband gives you. He never gives except when you ask him, and then he gives grumpily and stungily. He is a tyrant of about the meanest sort. It is hard to forgive such a man. If he were pressed for a reason, he would say that he feared you would be extravagant with his money. His money! Is it his? As cook, house-keeper and nurse of his children, you are a wage-earner as well as he. You have a right to your wages. Besides that and if the truth were known, money is as safe with you as with him, and he knows it. He lies to himself when he says he fears your extravagance. The truth is he likes to keep the money in his own hands and spend it himself. He is a cad. Every married woman has a right to a stated allowance. I call it "allowance" but it is really her own.

WHITTIER AND ANDOVER

The approaching centennial of Whittier's birth (December 17) led me to ask what if any connection the poet had with Andover. I could not find that there was much connection. His life played all around us—in Lowell, Haverhill, Bradford, Amesbury, Danvers—but it very seldom struck Andover.

In a letter written from Haverhill in 1835 the young farmer-poet observed: "Anti-slavery is going on well in spite of mobs, Andover Seminary and rum." This sentence seems to put the Seminary in singular company; but we have to remember that abolitionists were few in 1835, and that it was as natural for an Andover professor to be a Whig then as for him to be a Republican now. When Whittier wrote his irritated sentence, I suppose that Professor Moses Stuart had lately published a political pamphlet on the conservative side. Haverhill was near to Andover, and the Andover pamphlet had made a noise in Haverhill. To Whittier it sounded louder than it really was, and so he linked the Seminary with mobs and rum as supporters of slavery.

Thirty years later, slavery was dead, the war was over, and Whittier was living in Amesbury. One day the expressman brought him a small but heavy box, which had been sent from Chattanooga. When the cover was removed, a peculiar array of iron points became visible. His niece cried out in alarm, "O, Uncle Greenleaf, don't touch it! It is a dreadful explosive thing those Southerners have sent to kill you. Don't touch it!" She compelled her uncle, the poet, to bury the dangerous machine in the garden. The next day mail brought him a letter from a New England school teacher, residing in the South, saying that he had sent Mr. Whittier a paper-weight modelled from bullets picked up on the battle-field of Lookout Mountain. Then the box was dug up, and the paper-weight given a place of honor on Whittier's desk. In after years the New England school-teacher came to Andover to live. We called him Dr. Bancroft.

My third link between Whittier and Andover is as slender as the other two. One backward day in May Mr. Whittier had received a letter from Miss Elizabeth Stuart Phelps, written when in the blues. At that time she was a resident of Andover and lived in the same house in which her grandfather, Moses Stuart, had written the pamphlet which goaded Whittier to class Andover Seminary with mobs and rum as forces for evil. But time brings changes. She was a young woman and probably healthy. The poet was 75 and a martyr to neuralgia, but he tried to comfort the young lady who had hinted that life wasn't worth living. He said: "Why should these wish to step out of the line of march? Why envy those who fall by the way? So long as the east winds do not torment thee, and then can go maying in the coldest rainstorm that ever blew over Andover hill, life must be worth living."

ANDOVER SCENERY IN WHITTIER'S POETRY

After all the strongest connection between Whittier and our town is their possession in common of Essex County scenery. One could quote line after line of his poetry to prove this. I took a walk on Thanksgiving Day, and this is what I saw; only it is not given in my words, but in two stanzas from "The Last Walk in Autumn."

O'er the bare woods, whose outstretched hands
Fleed with the leaden heavens in vain,
I see, beyond the valley lands,
The sea's long level dim with rain.
Around me all things, stark and dumb,
Seem praying for the snows to come.
And, for the summer bloom and greenness gone,
With winter's sunset lights and dazzling morn alone.

Along the river's summer walk,
The withered tufts of asters nod;
And trembles on its acid stalk
The hoar plume of the golden-rod.
And on a ground of sombre fir,
And azure-studded juniper,
The silver birch its buds of purple shows,
And scarlet berries tell where bloomed the sweet wild-rose!

Births

In Andover, Dec. 11, a son to Mr. and Mrs. James Souter, Washington Ave.

Deaths.

On Monday evening, December 9, 1907, at the residence of her daughter, 53 Phillips street, in the ninetieth year of her age, Mrs. Ophelia Leland Bemis, eldest daughter of the late Amory and Olive (Daniels) Leland, of Holliston, Mass., and widow of Augustus Samuel Bemis, late of Boston, Mass.

In Boston, Dec. 6, Mrs. Cornelia Gould Murphy, wife of Dr. Frank T. Murphy, formerly of this town.

In Andover, Dec. 7, Samuel Cheever, aged 83 years.

In Andover, Dec. 11, Robert Bell, aged 77 years 11 months. A member of Co. H, First Massachusetts H. Artillery; also of Post 99, G. A. R.

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Sunday school to follow.

2.30 Meeting of the Juniors.

6.00 p. m. Y. P. S. C. E.

7.00 p. m. Whittier service.

7.30 p. m. Thursday evening. Prayer meeting.

METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH, Rev. A. E. Worman, Pastor. Services for Sunday, Dec. 15.

10.30 a. m. Worship with sermon by the pastor.

Sunday school to follow.

6.00 p. m. Epworth League.

7.00 p. m. Praise service followed by revival service, topic, "The Gain of the World and the loss of a Soul."

7.30 p. m. Thursday evening. Prayer meeting.

Special revival services are being held Sunday evenings at 7 o'clock.

Last Friday a daughter was born to Mr. and Mrs. Edward Adler of Waban.

B. C. Pierce of New Haven, Conn., spent Thursday with friends in the Vale.

Charles H. Dorrington of Watervliet, N. Y., spent Wednesday with friends in the Vale.

The Helping Hand society will meet this evening at the Methodist Parsonage at 7.30 o'clock.

Mrs. J. H. Smith attended the funeral Thursday afternoon of Mrs. Abbie Ackley of Wakefield.

Last Monday a daughter was born to Mr. and Mrs. Clester E. Matthews, Tewksbury street.

Mr. and Mrs. James Bigger and children, of Haverhill, spent Sunday with relatives in the Vale.

Ansel Swain of Barrington, N. H., spent Wednesday and Thursday with his aunt Mrs. Etta Higgins.

The Y. M. C. C. will hold a dance in Bradlee hall, on Saturday evening, Dec. 21. The Columbia orchestra will furnish the music.

The C. E. society will hold a Looking Backward social New Year's Eve. It promises to be an exceptionally novel and enjoyable event.

Mr. and Mrs. John McIntyre and Mr. and Mrs. Irving H. Shaw attended the funeral of Mrs. Elizabeth Wilkinson of Lawrence last Saturday afternoon.

The fourth number in the course of entertainments will be given in Bradlee hall next Wednesday evening, consisting of a concert by the Southern Tri, assisted by Mr. Christie, reader.

Last Monday evening the local Good Templars held a Pit Party which was thoroughly enjoyed by all. Next Monday evening their Good of the Order will consist of a Date Social. All Good Templars are invited.

Mr. and Mrs. William Shaw entertained the executive committee of the local C. E. society last Wednesday evening at their home on Andover street. After a bounteous collation the condition and efficiency of the society was freely discussed and plans for the practical development and increased effectiveness of the society were adopted.

The Congregational Ladies' Aid society held their first supper of the season in the church vestry last Friday evening. After partaking of a bounteous supper Mrs. J. H. Smith, the president of the society introduced as the speaker of the evening Miss Louisa K. Noyes, the Field Secretary of the W. H. M. A., who gave a very eloquent and inspiring address on the "Immigrant Asset or Liability?" The speaker very vividly depicted the dangers as well as the only solution of this great problem, which is of such vital importance to every man, woman and child of our beloved country.

Annual Sale

There was a large attendance at the Annual Sale held in Bradlee Hall last Wednesday evening under the auspices of the ladies of the Methodist church. The entertainment consisted of a piano duet by the Misses Louise and Margaret Wheatley and a drama entitled "A Modern Sewing Society" by fourteen young ladies, which was given in a very creditable manner. The several tables were in charge of the following named persons: Fanny, Mrs. Millie B. Hammond, Mrs. Elmer Philbrick; piano, Mrs. Allen Simpson, Mrs. Prudence Brown; caddy, Miss Florence Simpson, Miss Minnie Howell; tonic, Mrs. A. E. Worman; mystery, Miss Claudia Littlewood, Miss Emily Moody; ice cream, Mrs. Salmon Walker, Miss Clara Moody, Miss Carrie Colbath, Miss Myrtle Clough and Miss Eva Howell.

The sale was a financial success and netted a generous sum for the society's treasury.

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Ways of the Green Moray of Bermuda and the Devilfish.
When one speaks of dangerous fish the first that come to mind are the shark and the octopus. But neither of these is really formidable to fishermen. The shark never attacks a boat and the octopus very rarely.

A much worse creature than either shark or octopus is the devilfish—a large ray that is common in the warm waters of the Atlantic. This fish grows to a weight of a ton and a half and, besides formidable teeth, is armed with a horrible barbed and poisoned spine in the tail. It has often been known to attack boats.

A fishing party in a launch succeeded in harpooning one of these fish in the bay known as Aransas Pass, Texas. The brute towed them eighteen miles out to sea and very nearly upset the launch. It was twenty-five feet long and weighed 3,000 pounds.

A very nasty customer is the green moray of Bermuda. This rather resembles a conger eel, but is green in color and savage beyond any fish that swims. An English marine officer, fishing off Bermuda a year or two ago, hooked a large specimen and began to pull it in.

His negro boatman, his eyes staring with fright, begged him wildly to cut the line. The officer at first refused, but when he saw the fish turn on itself and with a crunch of saw edged teeth bite a large piece out of its own body he came to the conclusion that it was not a nice thing to have in a small boat.

The swordfish is a dangerous creature. Swordfish are caught for the sake of their oil and flesh, especially along the Atlantic coast of the United States. They are harpooned in the same manner in which whales used to be killed. Quiet enough until attacked, the swordfish then seems to go raving mad and fights with unmatched ferocity.—London Answers.

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may extend far. This means that the Pennsylvania is to be favored with the New Haven business. Already the Jersey Central has called upon the Interstate Commerce Commission for help, and the New Haven officials have been summoned before that tribunal of trade. Mellen's men say that the Jersey Central is slow in handling the freight.

Meats to Be No Cheaper.
Farmers and cattle dealers of the west having refused to sell live stock at the reduced rates offered by the packers, the expected drop in the price of fresh meats to the consumer has not materialized at this writing.
Bank Closes to Avoid Run.

Banking Commissioner Zimmerman of Michigan ordered the closing of the Chelsea Savings bank of Detroit because of a threatened run. The treasurer of the bank is State Treasurer Glasier, who has deposited \$684,000 of state funds. Glasier's private enterprises were said to be heavily involved, and a receiver for them had been asked by five other Detroit banks.

Kansas City Bank Quits.
The National Bank of Commerce, one of the oldest and largest banks of Kansas City, Mo., was closed Dec. 5 by order of the comptroller after its statement had disclosed a shrinkage of \$18,000,000 in resources in the past two months. Two small branches followed suit.

EDUCATIONAL

Swarthmore Rejects Millions.
President Joseph Swain of Swarthmore announced that he and the trustees had come to the conclusion, after asking the opinion of twenty-five other colleges, that they should not accept the millions left them by Miss Anna T. Jeanes with the condition that all intercollegiate athletic contests be abandoned. President Swain said, however, that if the estate were very large he would favor trying the experiment with the privilege of returning the money if it were found that the gift was of less value than the lack of freedom.

Cornell Medical Standard Higher.
The faculty of the Cornell University Medical college, at New York, announced on Dec. 2 that hereafter the usual high school course generally accepted as sufficient preparation for the study of medicine would not enable students to enter there. Candidates for admission would have to be graduates of approved colleges or scientific schools, seniors in good standing at Cornell or any other like university which would permit the substitution of the first year of the medical course for the senior year; also others not possessing a degree may be admitted by passing a special examination.

Says We Don't Educate.
President Wilson of Princeton in a bold address before the convention of the Association of Colleges and Preparatory Schools at New York Nov. 2 got after the prevailing school and college methods with a sharp stick. He declared that educators had missed the "true inner meaning of education, that we have forgotten to assemble its elements and that we have forgotten to simplify our methods."

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POLITICAL

Ridgely For a Central Bank.
During the evening devoted to "Lessons of the Financial Crisis" by the American Academy of Political and Social Science at Philadelphia many financial experts advocated a central government bank as the true remedy, among them Comptroller of the Currency Ridgely, whose defense of the president was cheered by the audience. He insisted that the causes of the panic were worldwide and that the critics of the president had done more than any one else to unsettle the financial conditions of the country. The central bank in some form was advocated by Bankers Schiff, Seligman, Nash and others.

Senator Foraker's Candidacy.
The letter written by Senator Foraker of Ohio in response to the resolutions of the Ohio Republican league committee last week was his formal announcement of willingness to accept support to the end of his becoming the candidate of the party for the presidency. In it the senator virtually laid down his platform by saying he will stick to his policy of opposition to executive encroachment and by opposing tariff tinkering.

Fowler Predicts Disaster.
Upon the eve of the opening of congress Representative Fowler of New Jersey, head of the house banking and currency committee, issued a prediction of coming financial tragedy of far greater proportions than the present panic unless we stop issuing a fixed bond secured currency. He says that the banks of the country today have about \$12,000,000,000 in deposits and about the same amount of loans outstanding, against which they hold reserves of only \$900,000,000, of which \$200,000,000 is in bank note promises.

This he calls "the worst and wildest form of inflation." He defines it as "basely one credit upon another credit," hence he deems the credit currency the safest because it would always be sent to banks of issue promptly and necessitate proper reserves.

The Man Without a Party.
The refusal of the house Republican caucus to admit Representative Peter A. Porter after he had expressed his desire to be counted among the Republicans left that new member in the role of the man without a party, for already he had objected to being listed as an Independent Republican in the Twenty-fourth New York district by a large majority over James W. Wadsworth on the regular Republican ticket at the time Wadsworth was suffering for his stand against the president's meat inspection bill in congress. That is why they say that Porter "rode into congress on a cow."

Bryan Likes the Message.
W. J. Bryan is quoted as being in accord with much of the president's message to congress. In particular he likes the recommendation that the government pay the expenses of elections, only he would add a provision against private contributions. He also strongly approves of the postal and guaranteed banks.

Naming Fowler, Snubs Platt.
The nomination of Edward S. Fowler as collector of the port of New York without the knowledge or approval of the New York senators was regarded as a direct snub of Platt, who has always had much to say about this important political plum. Fowler is known as a "Roosevelt Democrat" and is an old personal friend and former employer of Secretary Cortelyou. New York papers unfriendly to the president say it is a sign that he is trying to keep the organization from sending a Hughes delegation to the national convention.

MISCELLANEOUS

Over 350 Miners Entombed.
After the force of 380 miners had gone to work in the two mines of the Consolidated Coal company at Monongah, W. Va., Dec. 6 an explosion of gas or dust caved in a great quantity of rocks and coal so as to block the main exit. A large rescue force was put to work, and a few badly injured men were found near the entrance. The rest were believed to be dead or beyond relief.

American Beats Britisher.
In a ten round fight at London, England, Nov. 2, Tommy Burns of Detroit knocked out Gunner Moll and won the heavyweight world's championship.

Death of H. O. Havemeyer.
Henry O. Havemeyer, president of the American Sugar Refining company, known as the sugar trust, died at his home near Northport, N. Y., Dec. 4, from acute indigestion. He was one of the pioneers in the trust movement. He was sixty years old.

Troops For Goldfield Strike.
On request of Governor Sparks of Nevada Dec. 5 the president ordered troops sent to Goldfield, where 10,000 miners had gone on strike because wages were paid in cashier's checks instead of cash. They were willing to take half in checks and half in gold. Secretary Haywood of the miners' federation says the value of these checks is below par at Goldfield and the miners had to have some cash to live on.

Miss Clara Bloodgood, the well known actress, who left New York society to go on the stage, killed herself in a hotel at Baltimore last week, where she was starring in "The Truth."

Fewer Business Failures.
Dun's report of commercial failures in the months of November shows a decrease of about \$10,000,000 in liabilities as compared with October. The November failures numbered 1,180, involving \$17,637,011 of debts.

The Block Saves Von Bulow.
In the German reichstag Chancellor von Bulow narrowly escaped defeat only by the assurance of the minister of war that the Counts Hohenau and Lynar, accused of foul practices in connection with the Knights of the Round Table, would be tried by a common court and not by the military court of honor, on the merits of which they had thrown themselves. The chancellor threatened to resign owing to criticism of his policy, but the coalition of Conservatives, Liberals and Radicals promised to be good and stand by him in return for certain concessions as to legislation.

French War Balloon Lost.
The French people are mourning the loss of their great dirigible war airship, La Patrie, which in a gale broke away from the soldiers who were holding the ropes and drifted out over the sea.

Outgoing Steerages Crowded.
The enormous rush of aliens back to their European homes continues. In one day of the week eight steamers sailing from New York carried 12,000 steerage passengers, and the President Lincoln booked something like 3,000 passengers to Mediterranean ports. From present bookings it is estimated that the total exodus will be near 500,000 and that they will take away with them \$20,000,000. An Italian banker says his countrymen are alarmed over the financial and industrial derangement.

Mine Explosion Kills Forty-nine.
The little mining village of Naomi, in the Monongahela valley, near Bellevue, Pa., was almost depopulated of its breadwinners Dec. 1 when an explosion of fire damp in the Naomi mine caused the death of the forty-nine miners at work there.

HISTORICAL ANDOVER

No. 141.

On Sunset Rock

I was lingering over my dinner portion of a new book "Alice-for-short" by Vance, and was just closing it, when the opening paragraph of a fresh section attracted me, and reminded me of the task that called loudest, the preparing of this sketch of our own old times.

"How often a clue to an old-world story must be lost sight of through its never coming to those who seek it that some survivor could supply the link that is wanted! Often and often there must linger in some brain, near a century old, of some forgotten human relic, some tenant of an almshouse or workhouse, or maybe madhouse or gaol—some memory of earliest childhood, some spoken word from lips, as old as his or hers are now, that would throw a light on what must remain in darkness for all time, except that word be uttered again to ears that will listen, and minds that will record. What may not be lost; now and again, in the garrulities of extreme old age, shouted down by the vigorous surrounding life, that only cares for now? We slight and discard the recollection of the Rip Van Winkles we have about us, every day, because the Kaatskill Mountain into which they disappeared from the village of Childhood was the world of active life itself! They have come back now, and Hendrick Hudson and his game of bowls is vanishing from them and the village street comes back. And they see again the old, old folk that were there—that are long gone now—and can maybe hear what they say! And when they try to tell, we say—"O, bother!" Well, that's the sort of answer they get very often. And we lose a great deal by it."

We have already lost the old traditions. This is so true of the locality we call the "Hill." This section laid out in division lots to the sons of George Abbott, William Chandler (2), Nicholas Holt's two sons, Samuel and Henry. William Ballard about 1660 exchanged a part of his estate with William Chandler, so it is difficult to place the original grant quite often. But taking the walk from the Phillips Academy, "Brothers Field" and the gymnasium site, just across the street where Joseph Abbott fell in 1676, while clearing the alder from brother William's lot—passing along the old Highland Road to Porter street (I forget the new name) past David Hiddens' and the Bailey place, and to Henry Hayward's house, the dower widow of Philemon Chandler (3) held so long, thence South by the old Boston Road around to Stephen Abbott's and back to Sunset Rock and across by South Main street, past the Bancroft and Pierson estates to Henry Gray's, and home down Salem street; here you have a part of the town, loaded with old tales for many of us, whose ancestors held the latter first as cattle pastures, then lived there in garrison houses of the second generation, and in the family of (2) Samuel Holt, and (2) Benjamin and (2) John Abbott, have their old uplands and meadows been held to this day. Among the most interesting of all to me is the old Allen estate. It lay nearest to Sunset Rock of any holding, and I think before my work is done on all the bounds, I will find it included the Whiting place so-called, part of the South field and of the Bailey estate we know were purchased from Allen's in the days of Asa (4) and much of the lots held today by Johnson and Towle the newcomers. How far to the South the outlying land lay I cannot tell now. Every inch has its legend. Somewhere about the Rock lie buried an old Indian chief and his squaw, graves that were there when Allen came. One of the doorsteps of a neighbor was a stone stained with the blood of another squaw killed by an enemy in a raid. Here in later days, the unhappy son of Professor Russell wandered away into the thicket and sat quietly with his sketch book in his lap, in the sleep of death till the springtime workers found him. I cannot stop to enumerate the long list of tragic things whose haunts follow us around the great square, telling of the curse of alcohol, the wasting of fortunes and opportunity, the scattering of families. Sometimes the old rock saw the return of a refugee. An old, old house stood across the street on the rock, owned by Dr. Whiting I can dimly recall, that held many a family like that of Thomas Loring from Cincinnati, that of the family of the late Joseph Holt, when a boy he came with his parents back from Albany, Maine. This was nearer 1812, and those hard years of British tyranny before we really threw off the yoke for good.

Here somewhere stood the place where Andrew Allen brought Faith Ingalls, sister to the Parson Dane's wife and to Henry Ingalls, her well-to-do brother who had settled on the site of the North Meeting House. Andrew Allen was Scotch I feel sure but I can not prove it yet. Nor do I know when he married Faith Ingalls or where. He was in Lynn, 1642, and was then about 26 years of age. Faith Ingalls born about 1622 was then 20, so perhaps he came to Lynn with Ingalls and was already married. The Ingalls brothers Francis and Edmund were sons of Robert of Lincolnshire, and came with the Planters in 1629, Edmund, a master, his brother a tanner. So Andrew, only 13 at the time, perhaps was an apprentice. Edmund's will, 1649, mentions both Andrew Allen and Francis Dane as sons-in-law. Madam Ingalls was a very superior woman and her grandchildren inherited her firmness of character. We know more of the women of the Allen line than of the men of whom there were very few. The race did not transplant well. The Antiquarian said Andrew was in Ip-

swich 1658. This was at the time Andrew Peters was there, but I feel that our Andrew had already arrived in Andover as his daughter is recorded here, born in 1652. As Andrew Peters was a distiller, possibly Allen was connected with him in business. At any rate, Dane came first as our pastor and the sister Allen and brother Henry Ingalls followed.

The occupation of Andrew does not appear as yet from lack of deeds describing him, but he was a simple farmer here, I judge.

Hannah (2) born in Andover 1662, married James Holt in 1675, while her sister Sarah, whose birth is not here entered, married Samuel Holt. From Hannah comes the resident line on Prospect Hill so long, as (3) Timothy Holt inherited the homestead. Holt Farnham is a descendant through (3) Priscilla Holt and Ephraim Farnum. I am from a grandchild, the wife of Baruchas Abbott (4) which line later in many of our resident Abbotts as a son and two daughters hold Russell heirs also allied to Abbott. Samuel Holt's line are represented by George Holt and Maurice and their sisters, by the family of the late Jonas Holt, Marcus Holt, whose sister Mrs. James Smart still owns part of the old Allen estate.

Mary Allen (2) married Dr. Roger Toothaker of Tewksbury in 1665 and had a hard life. Roger was a doctor as was his son and grandson. I have copies of his signature in settlement of old estates, receipts for doctor's bills. At the time his sister-in-law, Martha (Allen) Carrier was held for witchcraft, he was quite zealous in testimony, as was his son Allen (3). He lingered at Salem, getting interested in the psychological study, and Mary had to ask aid of Billerica town, and get two children bound out. In the Indian raid of 1695 she was killed, and her thirteen year old Mary taken captive to Canada. The line is well represented by Revolutionary veterans and worthy men and women of today.

The most tragic figure in the group of girls was (2) Martha Allen who married Thomas Carrier. Much has been written of this citizen of Billerica and Andover who is said to have been a refugee from the vengeance of Charles II, having been the substitute for the regular executioner at the beheading of Charles I. He was of Billerica in 1674 and said to be of Wales and his real name Morgan. He came with John Leveston one of those advertisers with a short pocket book, so they were ordered out of town unless they gave security in a 20 shillings per week fine. But they won their grant. John as his hired servant took a contract to fell timber for the town, and by 1678, they with 24 others take the oath of allegiance to Charles II. Carrier came to Andover about 1684 and was here 1699 when the breaking out of the small pox in his family, the death of so many of the Allens and one of the most promising of the Ingalls cousins aroused the superstition of the neighbors, possibly alienated by Martha's sharp tongue. (We who hated Cromwell may have had a leaning toward the Stuarts and resented Carrier's part in the tragedy of the Civil War.) Read Miss Bailey's "Witchcraft" chapter to see what she made of Martha (Allen) Carrier. I am proud of Aunt Martha myself and think she was a little spunky courageous woman not a virago at all, a woman of good sense, who attended to her own business, but who could defend herself and family when aroused. She carried a heavy burden most likely of prejudice. I wish I could find exactly where they all lived, somewhere surely on the road to the Vale. When I can spare time I will collect every reference to the estates but the Abbotts and Ballards held so much of it later annexed to their already large grants, that it is very difficult to trace the small holdings. We owe all we have on Allen to the memory of "Uncle Asa Abbott" who got his facts from his ancestor Asa Abbott (4) whose widow lived to be very old.

Andrew (2) born here 1657, married Elizabeth Richardson of Billerica. Her mother was a widow of Lieut. James Richardson, Bridget Hinchman, sister of Major Thomas of Chelmsford, and had become the second wife of William Chandler. Her daughter Marsh married Joseph Wilson, Jr., and these two were our first Richardsons in town for more than a hundred years. Andrew and his old father and a son Thomas aged 3 (he only 33) his only brother John 29, with his young wife, with cousin Henry Ingalls, all were taken away by the dread smallpox, in the autumn of 1690. Brother-in-law James Holt and a son James also died. The relatives very likely attended the funerals in full force. In Andover a public auction was held after one family had been carried off and a clean sweep was the result in that neighborhood.

The only child left to Andrew Allen (2) who had descendants therefore was a son Andrew (3) as the two surviving sisters died unmarried so far as we knew from records before 1750. John Allen (2) married Mercy Peters, both dying 1690 leaving John (3) and Hannah (3) to the guardianship of Peter's grandparents. They held very fine grants on the Billerica line and John dying at 24 single, left Hannah sole heir of estate. She had been trained in the family of a distiller and innkeeper, and after her marriage with Joseph Abbott in 1722, she developed an excessive devotion to the strong stimulant. They lived on the site of the present Episcopal church, where Hannah died 1755 at 63. Her son Joseph (4) lived many years on the estate owned by the late Joseph Smith, sold to Samuel Abbott, who did so much for the church and Seminary. Joseph was drowned at 42, and his only brother died in childhood. His

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Legal Notices

NO. 1129.

Report of the Condition
OF THE

Andover National Bank

At Andover, in the State of Massachusetts at
the close of business, December 3, 1907.

RESOURCES.

Loans and Discounts.	\$205,431.53
Overdrafts, secured and unsecured.	212.20
U. S. Bonds to secure circulation.	50,000.00
Bonds, securities, etc.	71,014.30
Banking House, furniture and fixtures.	5,000.00
Due from approved reserve agents.	74,107.03
Checks and other cash items.	3,273.92
Notes of other National Banks.	580.00
Fractional paper currency, nickels, and cents.	228.86
LAWFUL MONEY RESERVE IN BANK, viz:	
Specie.	14,504.20
Legal-tender notes.	1,200.00
Redemption fund with U. S. Treasurer, 5 per cent of circulation.	2,500.00
Total.	\$516,443.13

LIABILITIES.

Capital stock paid in.	\$125,000.00
Surplus fund.	25,000.00
Undivided profits, less expenses and taxes paid.	29,128.82
National Bank notes outstanding.	50,000.00
Due to Trust Companies and Savings Banks.	7,777.31
Dividends unpaid.	30.00
Individual deposits subject to check.	278,297.50
Demand certificates of deposit.	2,209.00
Total.	\$516,443.13

State of MASSACHUSETTS, County of Essex, ss:

I, J. Tyler Kimball, Cashier of the above-named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

J. TYLER KIMBALL, Cashier.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 5th day of December, 1907.

GEORGE W. FORTER, Notary Public.

Correct—Attest:
JOHN F. KIMBALL, } Directors,
JOHN H. FLINT, }
JOSEPH A. SMART, }

Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

Essex, ss.

PROBATE COURT.

To the heirs-at-law, next of kin, and all other persons interested in the estate of Sarah P. Grosvenor, late of North Andover, in said County of Essex, deceased.

Whereas, certain instruments purporting to be the last will and testament—and a codicil—of said deceased, have been presented to said Court, for probate, by John Peters Clark and Harry Willard Clark, who pray that letters testamentary may be issued to them, the executor therein named, without giving a surety on their official bonds.

You are hereby cited to appear at a Probate Court to be held at Salem, in said County of Essex, on the sixth day of January, A. D. 1908, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, to show cause, if any you have, why the same should not be granted.

And said petitioner is ordered to serve this citation by delivering a copy thereof to each person interested fourteen days at least before said Court, or by publishing the same once in each week, for three successive weeks, in the Andover Townsman, a newspaper published in Andover, the last publication to be one day at least, before said Court.

Witness, Rollin E. Harmon, Esquire, Judge of said Court, this fifth day of December, in the year one thousand nine hundred and seven.

J. T. MAHONEY, Register.

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five children grew up sturdily and married well and all raised strong and good families, so I conclude grandma Allen's constitution was a good one to start with and she was hindered more by the customs of the times. She always belonged to her grandfather Peters church in North Parish, and from its records I learn of the brotherly care they gave her. Andrew Allen (3) a clothier, who married Mary Dane in 1711—died at 64—she survived to 85. I can find very little of Andrew save he walked quietly and paid his taxes. Two daughters never married, son Andrew at 26 died in the King's service at Louisburg, 1745. James (4) lived here as did the widow, still upon the old Sunset Rock estate. I wish to find some trace of two sons (4) John and (4) Thomas—not yet accounted for anywhere but it needs a close study of tax lists and court papers first and with the closing notes of the Rock folks I also intend to give a brief account of our line of Allen that we imported from Rhode Island during the Revolution, which are still represented here today.

C. H. A.

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ABBOTT VILLAGE HALL, ON FRIDAY, 26th OCT.

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Witness, Rollin E. Harmon, Esquire, Judge of said Court, this seventh day of December, in the year one thousand nine hundred and seven.

J. T. MAHONEY, Register.

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Standing in the door of my cabin, twelve feet above the sands, I saw it and realized my finish. My house and the house which sheltered Madeline and the other houses on the bluff were probably not in danger. But my dredger! When a man stands twelve feet above ocean level and cannot view the open sea because of the height of the breakers, he clearly understands the fate of a gold dredger or any other object in its very path.

In the course of hours it was all over. Looking at the deceptive calm one never would have imagined the destruction the sea had wrought. I stood on the beach and viewed the wreck of my fortune.

Fifty thousand feet of lumber which had once been the boat lay scattered along the shore farther than the eye could reach. Ten thousand dollars' worth of machinery which had been the motive power of the boat lay here and yon in millions of pieces, burying themselves in the sand, while the work of brain and toll of hands had been as nothing to the sea in her madness.

As I stood there a voice came sweetly to my ears, and a hand was laid timidly on my arm.

"It seems such a pity, Jamie, such a dreadful thing to have happened, but I do believe everything that happens is for the best if we can only look at it right. I'm so sorry, but you aren't entirely discouraged, are you, Jamie?"

My pulse leaped at the sound of her voice. If I could have had her, what would I have cared for any other loss in the whole world?

"There are many worse things in life, Jamie," I answered, smiling at her. "I shall do the work again; that's all. It wouldn't do to let myself grow discouraged."

Then a most surprising thing happened. My little Madeline, with a wonderful look in her dark eyes, stood on tiptoe and raised her face to me.

"Jamie, let me help you start again. I was such a little fool the other day. You didn't tell me you loved me. You just talked about spending money on me, and you seemed so sure of me that I thought—I knew you meant it right, too, but I—the demand does create the supply, Jamie. The law is unfailing."

It was such a halting little voice and such a delicious little pink face raised to mine. I kissed the trembling lips with one long, thankful touch, and when I let the little girl go from my embrace she laughed, though a little shakily.

"Would you rather have lost the boat, Jamie, and found your sweetheart?"

And I answered, "Another dredger can be made, but in all the world there is only one Madeline."

WIT AND HUMOR

Breaking It Real Gently.

There is a man in congress who is renowned in the city he comes from for his imperturbable calmness on every imaginable occasion. They tell of him that one day he strolled leisurely into the office of a friend.

"I have just had a chat with your wife," he said by way of beginning.

"Why, I didn't know she was downtown," said the friend.

"Oh, she wasn't downtown," replied the congressman. "I called at the house."

"I didn't know she was receiving today," said the husband, with some surprise. "I thought she had a headache."

"She didn't mention it to me," said the congressman. "There was a crowd at the house."

"A crowd?" echoed the husband.

"Yes," went on the calm man. "They came with the engine."

"The engine?" gasped the husband.

"Oh, it's all right," went on the calm man. "It's all out now. It wasn't much of a fire, but I thought you'd like to know it."

Nation of Noises.

In China night is as alive as the day and is filled with whoops, noisy conversation, the singsong accompanying work, boisterous repartee and every other unmusical sound. In addition, the darkness is one long howl of dogs, cackle of geese, braying of donkeys, croaking of frogs, the squealing of pigs, the drumbeats of the policeman and even, as some one has said, "the singing of the stars." Individually the people are full of varieties of unsuppressed, violent demonstrativeness, and collectively they are only a terrific tribal turbulence. One most appropriate name for China has never been given it. It has been called the Yellow Kingdom, the Middle Kingdom, the Celestial Empire, the Pigtail Nation, the Sleepy Giant and others. No one of these is more applicable than the Nation of Noises. Noise is seemingly the first element of Chinese life and has been cultivated for centuries by Chinese talent, and in conception, development and execution presents not only new varieties, but scores of new species.—Cor. Montreal Standard.

Solitude.

"Why are you so extremely solicitous about the preservation of trees?" asked the art expert.

"Well," answered the man whose tastes in sculpture are somewhat restricted, "it seems to me that trees are frequently very desirable things for statuary to hide behind."—Washington Star.

Don't neglect your cough.

Statistics show that in New York City alone over 200 people die every week from consumption.

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Some time ago a friend of mine got a curious present from a sea captain. It was a fine specimen of the bird which sailors call the "laughing jackass," and he was a little proud of it. As he was carrying it home he met a brawny Irish navvy, who stopped and asked him:

"Phwat kind of a burrd is that, sorr?"

"That's a laughing jackass," explained my friend genially.

The Irishman, thinking he was being made fun of, was equal to the occasion and responded with a twinkling in the eye:

"It's not yerelf; it's the burrd Oi mane, sorr."—London Answers.

Suitable.

"What would be a suitable birthday present for my little boy?" inquired the fond mother.

"Let me think," returned the star boarder, who occasionally liked to sleep late in the morning. Then, with the glad, confident smile of one who has solved a problem, he added, "How would a gag or a straitjacket do?"—Chicago Post.

No Recourse.

"John, I think I hear a thief in the dark closet beneath the stairs."

"I don't doubt it. I have known it was there for some time."

"Telephone for the police."

"What's the use. You can't arrest a gas meter?"—Houston Post.

Strictly Business.

"Young man," said the old gentleman as he shuffled into the parlor, "I believe—in fact, I know—that you and my daughter are rapidly edging toward matrimony."

"It is true, sir," replied the poor but otherwise honest youth. "And, while I am obliged to confess that it will have to be a case of love in a cottage, still I—"

"That's all right, young man," interrupted the stern parent. "Love in a cottage is the true ideal of happiness. You have my consent!"

"Oh, thank you, sir!" exclaimed the young man.

"Upon one condition," continued the old gentleman, "and that is you must be able to show me the deed for the cottage. Good night, young man."—Chicago News.

A Piece of Homely Truth.

"Do you expect people to believe all that you tell them?"

"That is not the idea," answered the sagacious campaigner. "The way to win the hearts of the people is to tell them what they already believe."—Washington Star.

Anxious.

Sick Man (who is a collector of coins and also very rich)—I made out my will today, Reginald, and left you my collection of coins.

"Which one, uncle—the one in the bank or the one in the cabinet?"—London Tit-Bits.

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Bibles, Prayer Books and Testaments.	25c to \$2.50
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Mink Fur Sets, beautifully blended colors.	\$55.00 to \$150.00
Fur Muffs of Brown and Black.	\$2.48
Opossum Fur Muffs, Sable and Isabella.	\$4.98 to \$7.50
Fur Muffs of Sable and Isabella Fox.	\$10.00 to \$22.50
Gray Squirrel Muffs, at	\$6.50, 10.00, \$13.75 and \$17.50
Fur Scarfs of Brown and Black Coney.	98c to \$5.00
Fur Scarfs of Sable and Isabella Opossum.	\$1.98 to \$12.00
Fur Scarfs of Sable and Isabella Fox.	\$7.50 to \$37.50
Gray Squirrel Scarfs, at	\$4.98 to \$25.00

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Fancy Colored Handkerchiefs for Caps, Bags, Pillow Tops, and the like in splendid varieties.	
Men's Hemstitched All Linen Handkerchiefs, plain and initial.	12 1-2c or 3 in a Xmas box for
Men's Hemstitched Linen Handkerchiefs.	17c or 3 for 50c
Men's Hemstitched Linen Handkerchiefs, plain and initial, and finely corded in plaid effects.	25c
Men's Hemstitched Pure Linen Handkerchiefs, a d. plaided styles.	37 1-2c and 50c
Men's Hemstitched Silk Handkerchiefs, with initial or plain.	25c, 50c, 98c
Men's Silk Mufflers in grades at	98c and up
Children's Hemstitched Fancy Handkerchiefs.	5c
Children's Colored Border Handkerchiefs, 3 in box for	15c
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Hemstitched Damask Table Sets, all pure linen, 8-10 cover with 12 Napkins, set.	\$3.50
Hemstitched Bleached Damask Table Sets, in pretty Xmas Boxes.	\$5.00
Hemstitched All Linen Sets, extra fine grades, all linen, German make, 8-12 cover and 12 Napkins, set.	\$7.25

NEWS OF THE TOWNS AROUND ANDOVER

NORTH ANDOVER

John Hamilton Morse is confined to his home by illness.

The Junior Auxiliary met Tuesday afternoon at St. Paul's Parish House.

Mrs. John H. Sutton has returned from a week's visit in and about New York.

The next meeting of the Centre Club will take place on the first Tuesday in January.

The Woman's Alliance met Thursday afternoon at 3 o'clock, with Miss Laura A. Bailey.

Miss Frances L. Sutton of the Vendome, Boston, is visiting her parents at the Centre.

There will be a meeting of the Junior Alliance Saturday afternoon in the Charitable Union Rooms.

A rehearsal will be held this evening in Unitarian Hall for the Old North church Christmas entertainment.

The committee for the Charitable Union social and supper next Wednesday consists of Mrs. Peter Holt, Mrs. Frederick Hannaford, and Mrs. John Peters Clark.

Until further notice the Girls' Friendly Society of St. Paul's church will meet Monday evenings instead of Tuesday evenings as has been the custom for some time past.

The State Grange are holding a three days' meeting at Pittsfield. Among those present from town are Mr. and Mrs. James C. Poor, Mr. and Mrs. Peter Holt and Albert Currier.

Saturday evening at 7.30 o'clock the associate and senior members of the Girls' Friendly society are to meet at St. Paul's Rectory. After the meeting there will be a social. A full attendance is desired.

A girl employed by Mrs. F. E. Clark at the Centre met with a painful accident last week. She had been in Mrs. Clark's employ only a few hours when she opened a door at the head of a stairway, supposing it to lead into another room, and she fell down the flight. She had in her hands at the time a pitcher and a lighted lamp. The pitcher was broken but the lamp fortunately did no damage. The girl was unconscious for sometime but medical aid was summoned and she is resting comfortably at present.

Junior Alliance Birthday Party

The Charitable Union Rooms was the scene of a very enjoyable birthday party Friday evening, under the auspices of the Junior Alliance. A series of tableaux, entitled, "The Bachelor's Dream," were given as follows:

The Bachelor, H. Garrison Holt; The Sporting Girl, Miss Mary E. Chandler; The Military Girl, Miss Ruth Towne; The Golf Girl, Miss Dorothea Allen of Lawrence; The Country Girl, Miss Lila Woodhouse; The Coquette Girl, Miss Fannie Goodhue; The Belle of the Ball, Miss Frances Driver; The College Girl, Miss Violet Driver; The Widow, Miss Emily Driver; The Nun, Miss Daisy Oates. Miss Violet Oates gave readings in connection with the tableaux. Animal and stunt games were played. Refreshments were served by Miss Mabel Hannaford and Miss Mary Chandler. Garrison Holt had charge of the door. The proceeds are to go to the Old North Church improvement fund.

Charles Adams Appleton's Interest in Roger Wolcott Club

Thursday evening Dec. 5, the Roger Wolcott club met in St. Paul's Parish House. Charles Adams Appleton who last season donated two handsome silver cups for composition work generously repeated the offer this year. John Knowles occupied the chair. Arthur Krupp gave the roll call.

Two new members were initiated. Mr. Appleton made an address to the boys and eleven boys signified their desire for competing for the cups. The subject assigned for the boys to write upon was "Our Navy." The competitors are to be divided into two classes; class A, boys under 12 years and class B, boys of 13 years and over. The prizes will be awarded at a meeting held some time in February.

Entered Into Rest

Mrs. Sarah P. Cray passed away Monday morning at the family home, Bruin Hill Farm at the age of 74 years. She was a native of Charlotte, Vermont. Funeral services were held Tuesday at 1 p. m., after which the remains were carried to Highgate Centre, Vermont, where interment took place.

METHUEN

Cantata Given

The Cantata of Esther, under the association, Women's Auxiliary was given Wednesday night in Nevins Memorial Hall, and was a great success. The hall was crowded and everyone present was well pleased with the entertainment afforded.

The various characters of the cast took their parts well, showing great attention to detail in the preparation. The singing, both of chorus and individuals was of high order, and the drills were most excellent. The Oriental costuming added greatly to the beauty of the scenes.

The cantata was arranged under the direction of A. H. Newton, stage director and costumer. Mrs. J. D. Burley was the accompanist. The cantata was repeated on Tuesday night and the hall was again taxed to the limit of its seating capacity.

A synopsis of the cantata follows: Esther was born in Persia 500 years before Christ. Being an orphan from infancy she was adopted by her Uncle Mordecai, who recognizing her great natural beauty, trained her in the accomplishments of highest womanhood. She was chosen by the King of the Realm to be his wife and Queen.

She did not disclose her nationality. Haman was Premier and favorite of the King. Haman hated Mordecai because he would not worship him as the King had commanded. He did not know Mordecai's relation to the Queen. To be avenged he obtains a decree for destroying all the Jews in the Provinces. Mordecai discovers the plot and charges the Queen to petition the King for the safety of her people, which she does at the peril of her life on account of a law that no one shall go unto the King unbidden. The King hears her petition and Haman is defeated. Haman has prepared a gallows for Mordecai. An attendant informs the King of the fact. The King orders Haman to be hanged from it and proclaims Mordecai Premier in his stead. After this the people rejoice.

The Personations: Esther, the Queen, Miss Emily Briggs; Ahasuerus, the King.

Haman, Dr. R. V. Bakete; Mordecai, a Jew, Hardy Horrocks; Zeresh, Haman's wife, Robert Amis; Prophetess, Florence Hill; Median Princess, Helen Frederick; Bertha Littleton, Bertha Lowe; Persian Princess, Myrtle Taylor, Mabel Lowe.

Attendants, Jennie Waddington, Lillian Bottomley; Scribe, John Bott; Beggar, Charles Dane; Hegai, Henry Klemke; Harboubah, High Priest, Alvin Styles; Herald, George Thorp.

King's Cup Bearers, Ernest High, Robert Crosby, Austin Watzel, Noel Riley.

Queen's Cup Bearers, Lucia Riley, Beatrice Spicer, Blanche Davis, Gussie Slader.

Guards, Reginald Remick, Harold Irish, William Sagar, Chester Hutchins.

The chorus was made up of about 100 local singers.

Annoved by Dump

Medical Inspector W. Hall Coon will hold a conference with the Methuen board of health soon in regard to the dump being used by this city in the east part of Methuen on the Bicknell land. As the dump is on private property the Methuen authorities do not feel that they can stop the use of the dump unless it becomes a public nuisance. While it is at present an annoyance to the residents in that section the Methuen authorities do not consider that they are justified in ordering the Lawrence health department to stop using the dump. Dr. Coon takes the view that the situation is not as it should be and that some arrangement should be made to improve it.

Wife and Mother Passed Away

Death entered the home of John Olsewsky Saturday night when his wife Elizabeth passed away at the family home on Dale street, aged 31 years. Deceased is survived by her husband and six children, the youngest being but 3 months old.

The funeral occurred at St. Michael's church Tuesday morning at 8.30 o'clock. Interment in Holy Sepulchre cemetery.

LAWRENCE.

Art Club Fair at High School.

There was a large attendance at the annual fair of the Lawrence High Art club Wednesday notwithstanding the inclemency of the weather. The fair was held in the three art rooms on the upper floor of the High School building. The rooms were very artistically decorated with red streamers which were hung from the chandeliers. Red bells were also hung and gave a pretty appearance. The prevailing colors of the several booths were blue and white.

The Japanese table was very well gotten up, with Miss Anita Schneider at the head. The colors of the table were blue and white. Different Dutch pictures were hung on parts of the booth. On top of the booth was a typical Dutch windmill which was propelled by machinery. The arms were gold and blue checkered. The table was ably looked after by Miss Schneider, assisted by Miss Carlisle, Miss Annie Finlay, and Miss Bernice Abbott. The young misses were dressed in the fashion of the land and with their white caps and aprons looked very prim.

A rather interesting feature of the fair was Mount Asia which was in charge of Arthur Bish, Edward Riley, Edward Ingall, Kenneth McDonald, Arnold Meyer. The "mountain" was a tepee shaped affair built of slats and burlap. The crier on the outside would receive five cents and there would be a loud rumbling and the report of a pistol, then the prize package would come out of the top of the mountain. Another thing that was amusing was the dancing dolls which were placed on a screen at the distance of 10 yards from a line. The person who wanted to win a prize was obliged to hit one of the dolls. The committee was Herbert Steigler, chairman, assisted by Philip Currier, Walter Matthews and Richard Ellis.

The most amusing booth of the evening was the Chinese booth in the charge of Masters Thomas and Gabeler. Elmer Thomas was dressed as a typical Chinaman and caused much amusement by his selling of his checks among those present. The buyer would then go to the booth and get a bundle which was supposed to be his laundry. The booth looked very pretty in bright yellow of the celestial land. Chinese flags and dragons decorated the booth.

A large assortment of goods was found upon the Japanese table which was in charge of the following young ladies: Miss Logan, chairman, assisted by Frances Macoon, Lillian Evans, Vivian Taylor, Maude Pierce, and Miss Connors. The girls were dressed in several bright colors and with flowers in their hair made one of the best looking set of salesladies of the evening. The booth was of light blue with sweet peas climbing a lattice work on the top of the booth. All sorts of crockery articles were upon the table for sale. The flower table was looked after by Misses Sarah Hume and Parkhurst. Pinks and roses in abundance were for sale. The booth was a lattice work interwoven with roses and pinks.

Ice cream was served from a booth decorated with the national colors which was one of the prettiest and most magnificent tables of the evening. Miss Nettie Crossley and Miss Mabel Ridley were in charge.

The candy booth was adorned with the colors of the school and with L. H. S. flags. This was the most handsome booth of the evening. All kinds of candies were upon sale including all of the fancy candies which the fair sex are capable of making. The table was in charge of Misses Curtis, Leane and Mary Crowley. The lemonade was in charge of the honorary members of the club, including Miss Annie Koschitzky, chairman; Miss Pauline Meyer and Miss Emily Sawyer. This small room between the two art rooms was made into a cosy room. Sofas with large pillows were placed about the room. During the evening piano solos were rendered by Miss Lillian Evans, Miss Anita Schneider, Miss Gertrude Farrington. Miss Carlisle gave a violin solo which was received with loud applause. A large number took chances upon the doll and clock. Miss Killilea had charge of this affair. There will be a continuance of the fair at some near date. The ones in charge decided that they ought to have another sale as the weather was so bad on Tuesday. The date will be given out as soon as it has been decided upon.

State Grange Session Held in Pittsfield.

With 700 delegates present, the 35th annual three days' convention of the state grange opened at 11 a. m., Tuesday, in the Academy of Music, at Pittsfield. Lieutenant-Governor Eben S. Draper came to extend greetings of the commonwealth. Addresses of welcome were made by Mayor Allen H. Bagg and John H. Noble, master of the Pittsfield Grange.

Prominent grangers from other states were ex-Governor Nathan J. Batchelder of Concord, N. H., master of the national grange; ex-Governor C. J. Bell of St. Albans, Vt., a past master of the Vermont grange; O. S. Wood, master of the Connecticut grange.

There are now in Massachusetts 23,100 members of the grange, an increase of 1626 the past year. The state has 212 subordinate granges and 21 Pomona granges. Berkshire county has 20 granges, with a total membership of 1185. The Pittsburg

grange was organized last year and has 65 members. Treasurer F. A. Harrington of Worcester reported a balance in the treasury of about \$8000.

Master Carlton D. Richardson of West Brookfield urges the united support of the granges in the extermination of the gypsy and brown tail moths.

In reference to Grange insurance, Mr. Richardson suggests the consideration of the question of organizing another company, so policies could be accepted for \$3000 on property owned by patrons, safeguarding the same by all wise restrictions deemed necessary. In discussing highways Mr. Richardson says tributaries as well as main roads should be built.

Mr. Richardson urges the appointment of a committee by the grange to take up and investigate various methods to guard the interests of the rural inhabitants and taxpayers classes.

OLD TIN CANS.

The Way They Finally Disappear From Human Sight.

Few people realize what becomes of all the old tin cans, tin pans, kettles, buckets, coal hods and the like. They finally disappear from human sight and knowledge and are seen no more. Science shows that they evaporate. When a tin can is cast away and forsaken it begins its downward course by becoming rusty. The tin oxidizes or, in other words, unites with the oxygen surrounding it in the atmosphere, and the oxide of tin gradually takes leave of the iron by evaporating into the air, while some of it is washed away by the rain into the earth. After the tin is gone the iron of the can follows the same course that has been pursued by the tin. It oxidizes and becomes the familiar reddish brown substance known as iron rust. The metals have no wills of their own, no affluities, no understandings, and therefore no intentions as to their present or future course. They do nothing of themselves. But electrical forces do their work for them. These forces unite the atoms of the metals with those of the oxygen. Then the molecules of these oxides are carried away by the atmospheric electricity and disposed of according to circumstances.

If a small bottle or other piece of glass be placed on damp ground and an old worn-out tin bucket is turned over it, the particles of iron oxide will be taken away by electric currents from the old bucket and will be deposited partly on the glass, the remainder going into the air and the earth. Deposits of iron and other metals are thus carried around by electricity in the atmosphere from place to place all over the earth. Chlorine by electric power picks up atoms of gold and goes with them to the ocean, where they are as much at home as salt. All metals can exist in a state of vapor; therefore they are to be found not only in the atmosphere around this earth, but also in the atmosphere around the sun and the stars. If a ray of sunlight is bent out of its course, as it is by drops of water in the case of the rainbow, the familiar seven colors of red, orange, yellow, green, blue, indigo and violet are spread out side by side. When these spectra or streaks of light are scientifically investigated about 500 dark lines are formed also among the colors, and these lines represent shadows cast by elemental substances in the atmospheres of the earth and the sun. Light made artificially and not passing through the atmosphere of the earth and the sun does not have these dark lines.

By means of the spectroscopic, a gradually invented instrument now in use, but credited to several scientists, well known elements have been compelled to register their addresses in bands of light. Among the first to write themselves down were sodium, potassium, magnesium, calcium, chromium, nickel and iron. And the same apparatus led to the discovery of new metals, such as cesium, rubidium and thallium. All these are found to be in the sun's atmosphere. By means of the spectroscopic the one hundred millionth part of a grain of sodium in common salt becomes as discernible and unmistakable as the side of a house. This wonderful modern instrument has enabled scientists to find out what the people who inhabit the planets in the solar system of the dog star Sirius, for example, have to eat, for without nitrogen they could have no beans or spring peas, without sulphur no mustard, horseradish and water cresses or anything of the kind, although the people would be confined to vegetable diet. They would also be without light biscuit for breakfast or any fermented liquors.—Baltimore American.

What He Felt Like.

It was the first time he had sung in an Episcopal choir, and he felt strangely out of place in the vestments he wore. The other chorists looked comfortable enough, but the new one was sure he would trip on the skirts of his cassock when he went up the chancel steps, and he knew that if he did not stop perspiring his clean linen collar would be sadly mussed. The opening prayer had been intoned by the rector, and the singers were in line waiting for the introduction to the processional to be played, when one of the basses whispered in the new man's ear: "You're a tenor, aren't you?" "I suppose so," he replied, "but I feel like a two-tenor."—New York Times.

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BURTON S. FLAGG,

December 13, 1907.

Secretary.

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